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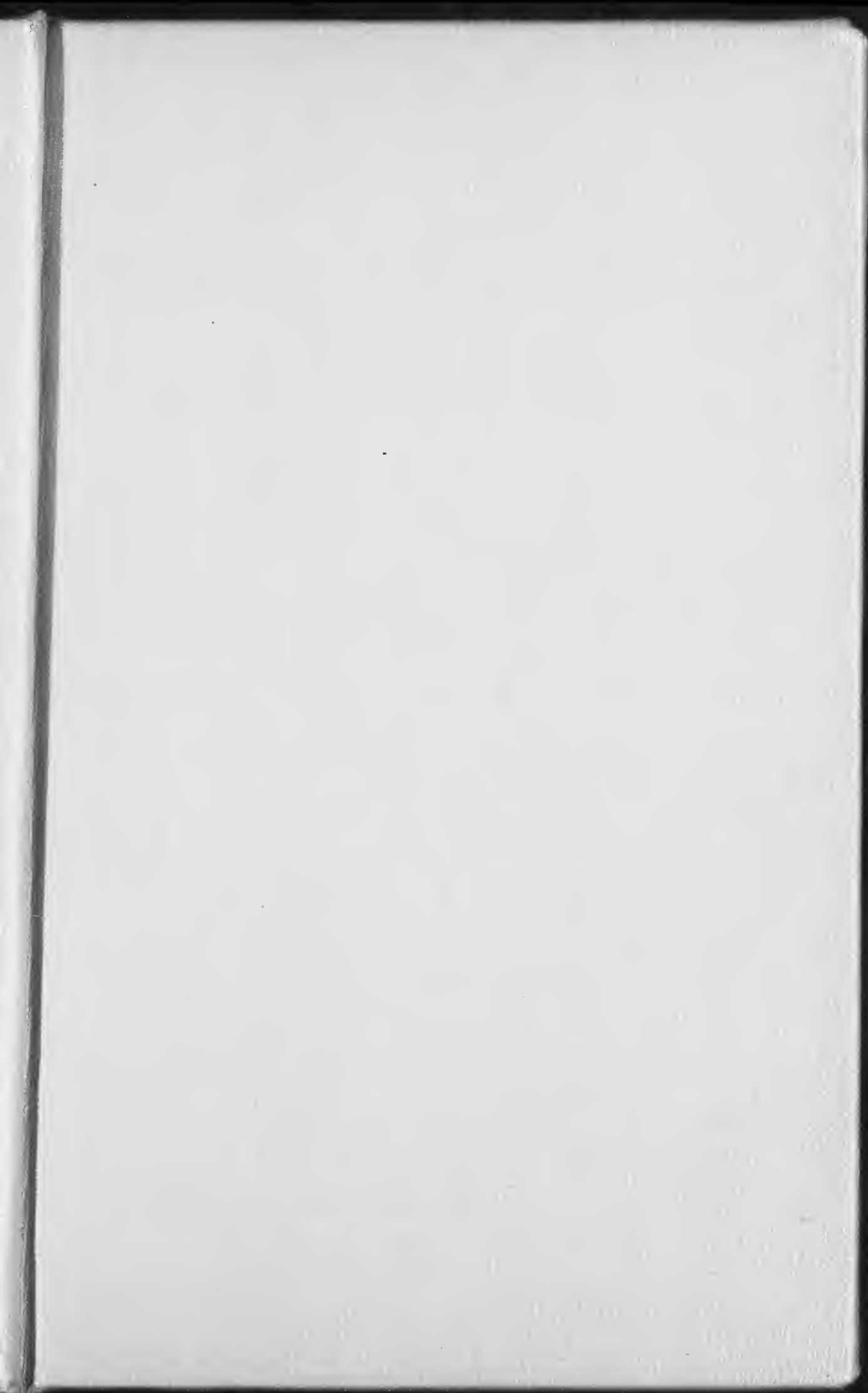
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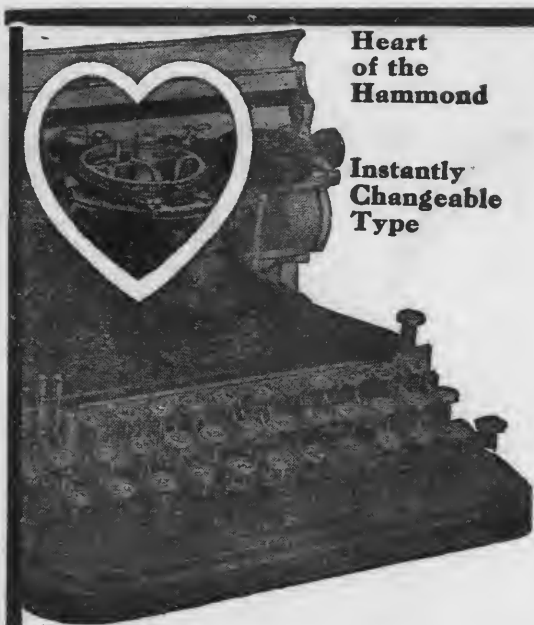
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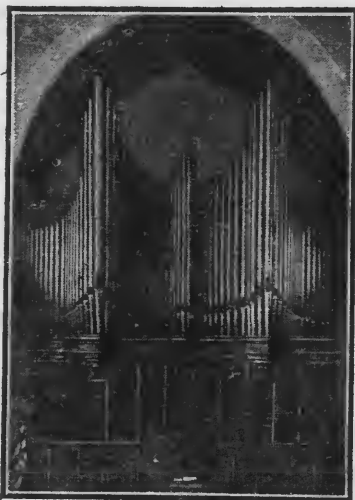
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265	G. Q. Bacchus	1874	1877	376	A. N. Ward	1895	1897
270	J. M. Sheridan	1875	1877	378	J. F. Bryan	1896	1897
277	T. H. Lewis	1876	1876	379	N. O. Gibson	1896	1898
278	J. W. Trout	1876	1879	380	F. A. Holland	1896	1897
285	D. W. Anstine	1879	1882	381	E. D. Stone	1896	1898
286	F. C. Klein	1879	1881	382	G. H. Stocksedale	1896	1899
289	J. L. Elderdice	1880	1883	387	W. A. Melvin	1897	1898
294	J. W. Balderston	1881	1883	388	E. T. Read	1897	1899
297	J. M. Gill	1882	1885	389	J. L. Ward	1897	1899
299	S. F. Cassen	1883	1886	394	B. F. Ruley	1899	1900
302	E. A. Warfield	1884	1886	396	T. R. Woodford	1899	1900
303	J. W. Norris	1884	1886	397	G. E. Brown	1899	1904
308	J. W. Kirk	1885	1886	398	C. M. Compther	1900	1901
309	B. W. Kindley	1885	1887	400	F. J. Phillips	1900	1903
310	H. L. Elderdice	1885	1885	401	W. N. Sherwood	1900	1903
312	F. T. Benson	1886	1887	403	E. H. Jones	1900	1905
315	J. F. Wooden	1886	1889	405	J. H. Straughn	1901	1903
320	E. H. VanDyke	1887	1889	406	C. R. Strausburg	1901	1904
321	G. W. Haddaway	1888	1890	409	P. W. Crosby	1903	1904
324	H. W. D. Johnson	1888	1891	411	G. J. Hooker	1903	1904
330	C. E. McCullough	1889	1891	413	Clayborne Phillips	1903	1905
332	H. S. Johnson	1890	1892	415	R. L. Shipley	1903	1905
338	L. F. Warner	1891	1893	416	B. A. Bryan	1904	1906
339	J. W. Parris	1891	1891	417	G. I. Humphreys	1904	1906
340	Avery Donovan	1891	1892	421	F. M. Clift	1904	1906
341	S. W. Coe	1891	Tr.	423	J. T. Bailey	1905	1907
342	Dorsey Blake	1892	1893	424	N. C. Clough	1905	1907
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344	C. M. Cullum	1892	1893	426	W. P. Roberts	1905	1907
345	G. R. Donaldson	1892	1895	428	C. M. Elderdice	1906	1907
347	A. H. Green	1892	1894	429	W. L. Hoffman	1906	1908
350	C. K. McCaslin	1892	1893	432	L. B. Smith	1906	1907
352	Louis Randall	1892	1894	434	W. S. Hanks	1906	Tr.
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355	G. M. Clayton	1893	1896	437	H. B. Jester	1907	1909
356	J. McLain Brown	1893	1894	438	P. L. Rice	1907	1909

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439	F. D. Reynolds	1907	Tr.	491	J. H. Lynch	1917	1919
440	G. A. Ogg	1907	Tr.	492	C. N. Alexander	1917	1918
441	E. A. Sexsmith	1907	Tr.	493	C. H. Dobson	1917	1919
442	J. L. Nichols	1908	Tr.	494	H. L. Murphy	1917	1919
445	E. L. Beauchamp ...	1909	1910	495	L. E. Haddaway	1917	1919
447	M. E. Hungerford ..	1909	1911	496	A. F. T. Raum	1917	1919
448	J. R. Wright	1909	1911	497	P. M. R. Schauer....	1917	1918
457	V. A. Miller	1911	1913	498	Gilbert S. Ross	1918	1918
459	R. Y. Nicholson	1911	1912	500	L. W. Gordon	1918	Tr.
461	W. C. Mumford	1911	1912	501	G. E. McDorman	1919	1919
462	C. M. Adams	1912	1914	502	J. W. Townsend	1919	1919
463	W. F. Bauscher	1912	1913	503	R. W. White	1919	1919
464	J. A. Dudley	1912	1912	504	K. H. Wareheim	1919	1919
465	A. W. Ewell	1912	1913	505	E. L. Ballard	1919	1919
466	E. W. Simms	1912	1913	506	J. R. McKeawn	1919	1919
467	W. F. Wright	1912	1914	507	G. E. Leister	1919	1919
468	Ziba Adams	1913	Tr.	508	J. Leas Green	1919	1919
471	C. C. Day	1913	1914	509	J. W. Baxley	1919	1919
472	W. M. Snyder	1913	1914	510	R. W. Sutcliffe	1919	Tr.
473	T. C. Jones	1914	Tr.	511	F. K. McCorkle	1919	1920
474	J. N. Link	1914	1916	512	S. C. Wood ..	1919	....
478	I. S. Owens	1915	1917	513	E. C. Graham	1920	Tr.
479	W. L. Jump	1915	1917	514	F. W. Siffrin	1920	1920
480	E. T. Kirkley	1915	1916	515	G. E. Turner	1920	1920
481	J. Peyton Adams....	1916	1917	516	F. M. Volk	1920	1920
483	J. P. George	1916	1918	517	B. F. Crowson	1920	....
488	K. K. Haddaway ...	1917	1917	518	C. M. Jenkins	1920
489	C. R. Dutton	1917	1917	519	C. P. Butler	1920	Tr.





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Trinity	Matthew Brown	Grove	
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM 1921—President of Conference, T. O. Crouse, G. I. Humphreys, Samuel Crocker, C. H. Grumbine, F. G. Reinicker.

APPOINTEES ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNION OF YOUNG PEOPLES'S WORK—President of Conference, J. F. Bryan, R. Y. Nicholson, C. G. Crist, W. E. Kindley.

OUR CHURCH HOME—J. L. Ward, C. R. Strausburg, W. L. Hoffman, W. E. Burall, I. S. Jordan, J. N. Warfield.

SOCIAL SERVICE—F. T. Benson, W. B. Judefind, E. T. Read, J. Albert Baker, F. L. Ball, Dr. E. B. Fenby.

CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS—The President and the Standing District Committee.

COLLECTORS:**Church Extension**—C. H. Dobson.**Superannuates**—R. W. White.**Sexton**—J. R. McKeawn.**CONFERENCE POSTMASTER**—J. H. Lynch.**TO ASSIST IN COMMUNION SERVICE**—J. W. Parris, C. K. McCaslin, A. S. Beane, G. J. Hill.

Special Committees

To Report 1920**To Co-operate with Our Church Home**—G. M. Clayton, W. H. Litsinger, E. A. Sexsmith, Seth H. Linthicum, George K. Mather.**On \$100,000 Superannuate Fund**—G. W. Haddaway, J. W. Kirk, C. P. Nowlin, T. A. Murray, J. P. Dodge, Daniel Baker.**Revision of Assessments and Budget**—J. M. Sheridan, Louis Randall, C. P. Nowlin, N. O. Gibson, W. C. Scott, F. P. Adkins, E. E. Wooden, J. P. Dodge.**Forward Movement Commission**—L. F. Warner, ex-officio; T. H. Lewis, J. M. Gill, H. L. Elderdice, F. T. Benson, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Straughn, R. L. Shipley, G. I. Humphreys, F. P. Adkins, W. O. Atwood, W. E. Cain, E. G. Cover, J. P. Dodge, George K. Mather, W. C. Scott.

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FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY

Morning

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened in its 92nd session this day in First Methodist Protestant Church at 9 A. M. The President, L. F. Warner, called the Conference to order and conducted the devotional service. The 35th Chapter of Isaiah was read by the President, followed by the singing of hymn number 393, "Onward Christian Soldiers." Prayer was offered by W. M. Strayer.

The President then called W. M. Strayer to the chair and read his report. (See Report A.) At its conclusion the President's character was passed.

The roll of the Conference was called by the Secretary. The names of A. A. Harryman, on motion of F. T. Little, of W. R. Graham, on motion of J. W. Trout, of J. S. Bowers, on motion of J. M. Sheridan, and of R. K. Lewis, on motion of W. B. Judefind, were transferred to the Memorial Roll. On motion various substitutions were made and also references to the Committee on Credentials. The pastor of the church made several announcements.

The list of Standing Committees was read by the President. On motion of G. I. Humphreys the President and Secretary were requested to send at once to Governor Ritchie of Maryland a telegram embodying our strong protest against the motion picture bill with referendum recently passed by the Maryland Legislature, and our request that he withhold his signature from said bill.

The report of the Program Committee was read and adopted (see Report Q); special attention being called to the Union Meeting on Thursday evening at the Mt. Vernon Place M. E. Church South in the interest of the Asbury Memorial; and to the joint Ordination Service on Sunday afternoon at the Metropolitan M. E. Church.

On motion of F. T. Benson the eighth pew was fixed as the bar of the house.

The Memorial Roll was called by B. W. Kindley. At the name of A. A. Harryman, F. T. Little read the obituary. At the name of W. R. Gra-

ham, J. W. Trout read the obituary. J. M. Sheridan read the obituary of J. S. Bowers; J. N. Link also spoke. W. B. Judennd read the obituary of R. K. Lewis and T. H. Lewis spoke. Conference recessed.

Afternoon

Conference opened at 2 P. M.; the report of the Secretary was read (see Report B). Special attention is called to the accumulated deficit. On motion Mrs. W. Scott Duvall, who was elected as delegate from Chesaco Park, not being eligible, was invited to sit as a messenger from said Charge. On motion the report of the Secretary was adopted, with reference of the financial part, to the committee on Audit, and the appointment of a Special Committee to consider the deficit. Roll call of Charges for communications.

E. C. Makosky offered a resolution to strike out from Regulation 2 section 5 of the Manual these words: "And no minister shall be elected to the office of President of the Annual Conference for more than 3 years in succession." On motion the time was extended till the vote shall be taken. G. I. Humphreys and R. L. Shipley spoke against the adoption. E. C. Makosky, delegate from Linthicum Heights, delegate from East Baltimore, and minister from Crisfield, supported the resolution. J. M. Gill moved that speeches be now limited to three minutes each. J. L. Mills and J. L. Nichols opposed adoption. Delegate from Linthicum Heights again spoke. Delegate from Easton spoke against adoption. Delegate from St. John supported adoption. G. I. Humphreys spoke again opposing the resolution. T. H. Lewis moved the previous question and the motion was sustained. A call for vote by orders on roll call was made by G. I. Humphreys. The call was supported. The Secretary read the Constitutional Regulation referring to such vote. The result of the vote was as follows:

Ministerial: Yeas—W. D. Litsinger, J. M. Holmes, F. T. Little, T. O. Crouse, G. Q. Bacchus, J. M. Sheridan, J. W. Trout, J. W. Balderston, F. T. Benson, E. H. Van Dyke, G. W. Haddaway, H. W. D. Johnson, H. S. Johnson, Avery Donovan, S. W. Coe, C. K. McCaslin, Louis Randall, J. McL. Brown, W. B. Judefind, E. C. Makosky, C. P. Nowlin, A. S. Beane, W. H. Litsinger, H. L. Schlinke, H. O. Keen, F. A. Holland, G. H. Stocksdale, J. L. Ward, B. F. Ruley, E. H. Jones, J. H. Straughn, J. T. Bailey, W. P. Roberts, C. M. Elderdice, W. S. Hanks, E. A. Sexsmith, E. L. Beauchamp, M. E. Hungerford, W. F. Wright, C. C. Day, W. M. Snyder, T. C. Jones, J. P. George, K. K. Haddaway, C. R. Dutton, C. N. Alexander, H.

L. Murphy, L. E. Haddaway, A. F. T. Raum, P. M. R. Schauer, L. W. Gordon, E. L. Ballard, J. R. McKeawn, J. W. Baxley, R. W. Sutcliffe—Total 55.

Lay: Yeas—H. A. Lewis, Frank Bell, F. R. Keyser, A. R. Lewis, Dr. E. B. Fenby, John E. Rice, C. G. Crist, Harry E. Burck, W. E. Harrison, W. W. Smith, W. O. Atwood, J. C. Wilson, Matthew Brown, C. L. Amey, C. H. Grumbine, C. G. Messick, J. H. McVey, W. R. Huey, W. B. Alfree, J. F. McNelia, Harry Harkins, E. F. Williams, S. J. Clayman, T. P. Fisher, T. C. Sellers, J. H. Wheatley, Nelson Merryman, W. E. Cain, H. C. Pilchard, M. H. Dodd, W. J. Potter, E. L. Thomas, S. H. Linthicum, W. H. Richardson, J. A. Clendaniel, L. Y. Thornton, N. J. Parks, J. H. Keene, Jackson Dunlap, M. A. Davis, F. M. Wilson, E. O. Cooper, L. H. LeCates, R. J. White, O. A. Johnson, T. E. Harrison, S. A. Hughes, N. J. Wimbrow, J. H. Carter—Total 49.

Ministerial: Nays—W. M. Strayer, J. L. Mills, J. W. Gray, A. W. Mather, F. T. Tagg, G. F. Farring, T. H. Lewis, D. W. Anstine, F. C. Klein, J. L. Elderdice, J. M. Gill, S. F. Cassen, J. W. Kirk, B. W. Kindley, H. L. Elderdice, J. F. Wooden, J. W. Parris, L. A. Bennett, C. M. Culum, G. R. Donaldson, A. H. Green, J. A. Wright, G. M. Clayton, George Hines, G. J. Hill, F. S. Cain, A. N. Ward, J. F. Bryan, N. O. Gibson, W. A. Melvin, E. T. Read, G. E. Brown, C. M. Compher, F. J. Phillips, C. R. Strausburg, G. J. Hooker, R. L. Shipley, B. A. Bryan, G. I. Humphreys, F. M. Clift, N. C. Clough, Carroll Maddox, W. L. Hoffman, L. B. Smith, E. L. Bunce, H. B. Jester, F. D. Reynolds, G. A. Ogg, J. L. Nichols, V. A. Miller, R. Y. Nicholson, W. C. Mumford, W. F. Bauscher, J. A. Dudley, A. W. Ewell, E. W. Simms, Ziba Adams, J. N. Link, E. T. Kirkley, J. P. Adams, J. H. Lynch, C. H. Dobson, G. S. Ross, G. E. McDorman, J. W. Townsend, R. W. White, K. H. Wareheim, G. E. Leister, J. Leas Green—Total 70.

Lay: Nays—Paul Lindsay, F. G. Reinicker, C. H. Knox, J. A. Baker, Albert Bond, G. T. Hoxter, M. W. Zembower, R. P. Smith, C. Q. Snyder, J. H. Russell, J. C. Ward, George Collins, C. H. Sturtz, Ulysses Smith, R. D. Fleckenstein, C. F. Henderson, W. A. Wheatley, F. A. Hammond, C. N. Spence, D. M. Williams, J. H. Elliott, G. H. Matthews, J. N. Warfield, Jr., F. W. Whitaker, A. L. Stone, F. L. Ball, P. J. Shallcross, W. E. Shepard, E. A. Gibbs, R. J. Mills, Dr. W. G. Monroe, W. H. Womersley, W. H. Harrison, J. H. Wolfe, Dr. Harry A. Ong, I. S. Jordon—Total 36.

Total Combined Vote: Yeas 104; Nays 106.

The resolution was lost.

The Order of the Day called for and the ballot for President was ordered. The chair appointed four tellers with H. L. Schlincke as chairman.

The ballot resulted as follows: Total vote cast 209; necessary to a choice 105. J. H. Straughn received 69 votes, L. F. Warner 64, W. A. Melvin 39, G. W. Haddaway 9, E. C. Makosky 5, T. H. Lewis 4, with seventeen votes scattered among 14 persons. No election. The second ballot was ordered and taken. Result: Total vote cast 199, necessary to a choice 100. J. H. Straughn received 110 votes, L. F. Warner 38, W. A. Melvin 38, T. H. Lewis 5, G. W. Haddaway 4, with 4 votes scattered. The chair declared J. H. Straughn elected President. G. W. Haddaway and F. M. Wilson were asked to escort the President-elect to the chair; Dr. Warner in well chosen words presented to him the gavel. The President accepted the office and pledged his best in service.

F. T. Tagg asked to be excused from further attendance on the session, and on motion of F. T. Little he was excused. On motion the order of the day was suspended and the roll was called for pastor's reports. On motion L. E. Haddaway was excused to attend a funeral to-morrow.

Conference adjourned with Benediction by J. W. Trout.

Evening

Service of Song by Conference Choir. The President, J. H. Straughn, presided. Scripture lesson was read by A. N. Ward and prayer was offered by W. B. Judefind. The Conference Appointee, E. D. Stone, preached the sermon from Romans 1:16. Preceding his sermon he introduced to the Conference Captain A. J. Drexel-Biddle, President of the Drexel-Biddle Adult Bible Classes. Following the sermon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the President of the Conference, assisted by L. F. Warner, C. K. McCaslin, G. J. Hill, and Louis Randall.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY

Morning

Conference opened at 9:30 A. M. with devotional services conducted by E. A. Sexsmith in the place of C. E. Dryden, who was sick.

The President took the chair and the minutes were read and approved.

On motion of E. C. Makosky, the second assistant Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for G. I. Humphreys as Secretary of the Conference.

On motion of F. T. Little the Secretary cast the ballot for C. P. Nowlin as Treasurer for 1921.

On motion, the Secretary cast the ballot for J. A. Dudley as the Conference Steward for 1921.

The President appointed E. C. Makosky, W. E. Cain, J. L. Nichols, and C. Q. Snyder as tellers on the election of the Standing District Committee; and also C. M. Elderdice, J. T. McNelia, G. E. Brown, and W. H. Harrison as tellers on the election of the Committee on Appeals.

T. H. Lewis offered the following resolution (see Resolution 1): Resolved, That regulation 11 section 4 as printed in the Minutes of 1919 page 195 be amended so as to read, "Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of 21 years shall be eligible as Steward, Class Leader, Sunday-School Superintendent, Trustee, and Delegate to the Annual Conference." The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion of A. H. Green, Mrs. W. S. Duvall was seated as a delegate to the Conference, and the President appointed T. H. Lewis and T. O. Crouse to escort Mrs. Duvall to the platform to be introduced.

On motion of L. F. Warner the order of the day was suspended in order to hear a communication from the President.

The President announced the following changes on the committees: W. P. Roberts as Secretary to the President from the Committee on Finance, G. A. Ogg from the Committee on Audit to the Board of Finance, and A. W. Ewell to the Committee on Audit.

T. H. Lewis made a motion that a committee be appointed to visit the other Methodist Conferences now in session in Washington. The motion was adopted.

The report of the Maryland Conference Educational Endowment Society was read. (See Report S.) It stated that there were no changes in the Board of Directors or in the relations of the society to the Educational Institutions of the Church during the year. That the income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund was turned over to the Treasurer of the Board of Governors of The Westminster Theological Seminary for the training of young men for the ministry. And that the usual sum of five hundred dollars placed at the disposal of said society by the Trustees of the Maryland Educational Society was likewise expended for the same purpose.

J. W. Gray reported as to the condition of J. W. Norris and on motion of E. A. Sexsmith, was appointed to take the greetings of the Conference to him.

On motion of W. H. Litsinger the Secretary was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to the relatives of J. B. Thomas.

The President introduced Chaplain M. O. Beebee of the Walter Reed Hospital to the Conference; also Rev. E. O. Watson, the Secretary to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, with offices in Washington.

The following men were appointed by the President to visit the Methodist Conferences: L. F. Warner, T. H. Lewis, and W. O. Atwood.

The order of the day at 10:30 A. M. was the report of the Conference Forward Movement Commission and the Assistant Secretary read the report, (see Report T), the first section of which was the record of the work during the past year. On motion of F. T. Little the report was considered by sections. On motion the first section of the report was adopted. On motion the second section was read, submitting the following recommendations: A special meeting of the Forward Movement Commission of this Conference was held in Baltimore, Maryland, March 30, 1920, Chairman L. F. Warner presiding. There was rather a full discussion of the merits of the Inter-Church World movement and the attitude that seemed wise for us to assume toward the same. Realizing the unusual difficulties and embarrassments in the way of a financial campaign at this time and yet, hesitating to take any course that, in the least degree, might be interpreted as discouraging to the great and important needs of both the church and the world at this time and for all possible blessings that might come to us and to all others concerned, your commission hereby submits for your favorable consideration, we trust, the following recommendations:

(1) That the Maryland Conference heartily approves the Inter-Church World Movement.

(2) That we fully pledge our co-operation with the same, even in the financial campaign as far as it is possible so to do.

(3) That we accept as our quota of the new drive the sum of \$165,000, the said amount being one-fourth of \$660,000, which is the net new figures named by our denominational leaders and in the raising of which we are asked to share.

(4) That we employ the same set up of organization that was used by the Maryland Conference in the million dollar campaign.

On motion, R. L. Shipley offered a minority report as a substitute for the second section of the majority report which reads as follows:

(1) We recommend that the Maryland Annual Conference hereby expresses its interest in and sympathy with many of the aims and plans of the Inter-Church World Movement.

(2) We recommend that the Maryland Annual Conference shall not take any action as a Conference in the financial campaign of the Forward Movement Commission in co-operation with the Inter-Church World Movement, but every Charge and member is given the privilege of responding to the appeals of the Central Committee as they may consider proper and all are hereby encouraged to make as general and generous response to these appeals as may seem to them possible or advisable.

T. H. Lewis, J. W. Kirk, L. F. Warner, J. P. Dodge, a member of the commission, by privilege of the Conference, E. B. Fenby, and R. L. Shipley spoke on the report. On motion of T. H. Lewis the time was extended in order to permit R. L. Shipley to finish speaking.

A communication was read by the Secretary as to the joint meeting to be held at the Representative M. E. Church South this evening.

After announcements, Conference recessed at 12:07 P. M. with the Benediction by A. W. Mather.

Afternoon

Conference resumed at 2 P. M. with the President in the chair. The order of the day being to hear the General Conference Messengers, the President introduced Dr. J. C. Wilbur, editor of the Sunday-School Literature; Dr. C. S. Johnson, Secretary of the Forward Movement Commission; Dr. G. H. Miller, Secretary of the Board of Education; Mrs. Henry Hupfield, President of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and Mrs. A. E. Gregg, Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, all of whom addressed the Conference. The President asked F. C. Klein to introduce Rev. Paul M. Kanamori of Japan, who addressed the Conference. Dr. J. H. Hyatt, Secretary of the Maryland Bible Society, and William Schmeiser, Secretary of the Maryland Tract Society, were introduced and addressed the Conference.

The order of the day was suspended in order to hear the report of the tellers of the Standing District Committee. The report was as follows: 109 votes cast, necessary to a choice 55. Ministers elected: F. T. Little received 87 votes and J. M. Sheridan, 56 votes. L. F. Warner received 54 votes, 1 less than the number required for election. On motion, the Secretary cast the ballot for L. F. Warner. Laymen elected: T. P. Fisher received 86 votes, T. A. Murray, 74 votes, and W. G. Baker, 67 votes.

The report of the tellers on ballot for Committee on Appeals was made. The number of ballots cast was 104, necessary to a choice 53. Ministers elected: J. W. Kirk received 74 votes, J. L. Mills, 59 votes, and A. W. Mather, 58 votes. Laymen elected: A. R. Lewis received 82 votes, W. O. Atwood, 73 votes, and M. A. Davis, 68 votes.

On motion of T. H. Lewis the report of the Special Committee on Assessments was made the order of the day at 10:15 A. M. Friday.

The report of the Forward Movement Commission, as unfinished business of the Conference, was taken from the table. Geo. Hines spoke on

the report, and on motion of T. H. Lewis was granted the privilege of speaking beyond the time limit. J. L. Nichols also spoke on the report.

T. H. Lewis moved that we adjourn, and the motion was suspended in order to hear from Mr. E. S. Brashears, the Regional Director of the Inter-Church World Movement, located in Washington. Mr. L. E. Orcutt, representative of the Periodical Department of the Inter-Church World Movement was also introduced and addressed the Conference.

After announcements the Conference adjourned at 5 P. M. with Benediction by J. L. Elderdice.

Evening

At 6 P. M. a supper was given in the Conference Church in the interest of the Forward Movement, with L. F. Warner presiding. C. S. Johnson, G. H. Miller, A. N. Ward, F. C. Klein, J. P. Dodge, E. B. Fenby, and T. P. Fisher spoke, after which G. W. Haddaway closed with prayer.

At 8 P. M. the three Methodist Conferences held an Asbury Memorial Service in the Mount Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church South.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY

Morning

Devotional services were conducted by H. O. Kéén, who read the Scripture from John 10:1-16.

The President called the Conference to order at 9:50 A. M. The minutes were read and approved. Roll call of absentees and the substitution of the Alternate from Georgetown was made.

E. B. Fenby read a resolution which was laid on the table to be considered later.

J. F. Bryan offered the following resolution: Resolved that E. D. Stone be requested to furnish his manuscript of the Conference sermon, and that the Secretary be instructed to have the sermon printed in the Conference minutes. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 2.)

The Order of the Day was the report of the special committee on Revision of Assessments and Budget, which was read by Louis Randall. (See Report X.) It was moved that the report be adopted. Louis Randall spoke in explanation of the report. On motion of F. T. Little the report was considered by items. F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway, who yielded the floor to F. T. Little, J. W. Kirk, and T. P. Fisher, spoke in explanation of Item A of the Recommendation as to the President's salary and ex-

penses. A change was accepted by the committee as suggested by G. W. Haddaway to eliminate the reading in the Manual which refers to debt on the parsonage. On motion of F. T. Little the amendment was adopted. J. M. Gill and J. S. Mathias spoke on the amendment. On motion of F. T. Little, Item B of the first recommendation which reads as follows: (B) Maryland Conference interests, to-wit: Incidental expenses of Conference, Seminary, College, Superannuates, Church Extension, Church Home and Deaconess Home, and such other local interests as made, from time to time, be added, was adopted.

On motion Item C of the first recommendation, which reads: (C) General Conference interests, to-wit: Ministerial Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and Board of Young People's Work, was adopted. Item A of the second recommendation was read and S. H. Linthicum offered an amendment, inserting the words, "Million Dollar Campaign." E. C. Makosky, R. L. Shipley, S. H. Linthicum, N. J. Wimbrow, G. W. Haddaway, and J. M. Sheridan spoke on the amendment. On motion, the Order of the Day was suspended in order to consider the report. F. T. Little offered an amendment to the amendment to read: "Million Dollar Campaign and other special campaigns by the General Conference, Maryland Annual Conference and from other sources." The amendment as amended was adopted after the suggestion by G. W. Haddaway to add to the amendment the words: "Interest on debt." The motion as amended was adopted which reads: (A) The average amount paid by each charge for all purposes except "Building and Improvements," and "Paid on debt with interest on same." and "Million Dollar Campaign and other special campaigns by the General Conference, Maryland Annual Conference and from other sources." for each of five years immediately preceding the current year and determine the percentage of the same necessary to provide for the Total Assessment on the District.

On motion Item B of the second recommendation, which reads: (B) The per capital percentage to provide for said Assessments, was adopted.

On motion, Item C of the second recommendation, which reads: (C) The two to be added together and divided by two thus determining the amount to be paid by each charge, was adopted.

On motion, the third recommendation, which reads: Third:—The adjustment to an equitable distribution shall be made on a $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ basis per annum. The basis, as above determined, may be modified by any circumstances characterizing the individual Charge, was adopted.

On motion, the fourth recommendation which reads: Fourth:—The striking out in the Manual Rule 5, Sec. 2, all that part of said Rule after

the word "Layman," which reads—"One of each order being members not on the Committee the previous year," was adopted.

On motion, the fifth recommendation was amended so as to read: Fifth:—That all members of the Board of Finance appointed by the President of the Conference shall continue in office until their successors have been appointed, and shall have charge, in the interim of Conference, of all matters pertaining to the Assessments, their action to be subject to Conference direction and approval, the committee having no authority ad interim to reduce assessments on Charges.

On motion, the sixth recommendation which reads: Sixth:—That a committee of two be appointed by the President to co-operate with the Secretary of the Conference in the readjustment of all blanks and forms made necessary by the aforesaid revision of Assessments and Budget plan, was adopted.

On motion, the report of the committee, as a whole, as amended, was adopted.

The Order of the Day was suspended in order to hear a resolution by Louis Randall: Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Conference be, and hereby is, instructed to distribute the Benevolences, when not otherwise instructed, by the pastor remitting, on a pro rata basis of the Budget as agreed upon by this Conference. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 3.)

The Order of the Day was the report of the committee on Literature and Education, which was read: (See Report I.)

1.—Western Maryland College. Gratification is expressed at the enrollment and progress of the Endowment Fund. It states that the farm adjoining the College property has been purchased and paid for. And congratulates the President, Dr. T. H. Lewis, on the 34 efficient and very successful years of service. T. H. Lewis, President of the College, was then heard; he spoke stating that in view of the Million Dollar Campaign an additional sum of \$14,000. was to be added to the amount already paid to the College from the Million Dollar Fund. Dr. Lewis also said that a course in Bible Study would be added to the curriculum in the near future. On motion, this item of the report was adopted.

2.—Westminster Theological Seminary. The report shows the largest enrollment in the history of the Institution, and gratification that 18 of this number are from the Maryland Conference. Regret is expressed that the percentage of the General Conference Budget apportioned to the Seminary is too low. Gratification is noted in that there has been an increase in the Distributive Scholarship, in the Permanent, and in the Endowment

Funds. Grateful acknowledgment is made of the bequests that have come to this Institution from its friends and the wise management of the same by its Board of Managers.

The committee concurs in the following recommendations:

- (1) That H. L. Elderdice be assigned as President of the Seminary.
- (2) That all delinquent subscribers to the Building Fund be urged to pay as soon as possible.
- (3) That our people be requested to remember in their wills either the Endowment or Scholarship Fund.
- (4) That our pastors seek to lay upon the brightest and best young men of their parishes the claims of the ministry.

The committee further recommends that J. L. Mills, J. M. Gill, J. W. Kirk, T. Pliny Fisher, A. W. Mather be re-elected as representatives on the Board of Governors from the Maryland Annual Conference.

H. L. Elderdice, President of the Seminary, was then heard. On motion, this item of the report was then adopted.

3.—Book Concern. The report shows that while there is a deficit in the publication of the Methodist Protestant caused by the increasing cost of printing, nevertheless this is more than met from other sources, leaving a net gain of \$5,392.27. There is a growing subscription list of the "Methodist Protestant" which amounts to 988 for the year, and that the increase in the past four years makes a total subscription list at the present time 7,421, which is the largest in the history of the paper. The Editor, Dr. F. T. Benson, is congratulated for efficiency and we pledge him support, recommending that the third Sunday in October be known as Methodist Protestant Day, and that every pastor be urged to place the paper in every home on his Charge if possible. On motion, this item was adopted. J. L. Mills spoke referring to the great work of N. T. Meginnis as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Meginnis was introduced and addressed the Conference. F. T. Benson, the editor of the Methodist Protestant, asked that he be permitted to speak later. On motion, the report as a whole was adopted. (Report I.)

The messengers to the Methodist Conference reported, and Dr. F. J. Prettyman and J. P. Tyler of the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, being present, were introduced and addressed the Conference. L. F. Warner, as Chairman of the committee on Visitation to the Methodist Conferences responded to the greeting of the visitors.

On motion, the report of the Pulpit Supply Committee was read and adopted.

On motion, J. J. Williams was seated as a messenger from the Wilmington Work.

After announcements, Conference adjourned with the Benediction by J. W. Gray.

Afternoon

The President not being in the chair, the Conference was called to order by the Assistant Secretary and on motion F. T. Little took the chair.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed.

F. T. Benson, the editor of the Methodist Protestant, addressed the Conference.

On motion, N. T. Meginnis was seated within the Bar of the Conference.

The report of the Conference Trustees was read; it stated that the terms of J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts, and T. A. Murray expire in 1920. That the income from Mrs. A. S. Eversole's legacy has been properly used for Church Extension purposes in accordance with the terms of the bequest. That the Treasurer's report is herewith submitted showing the receipts and expenditures of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate and now subject to disposition by the Board of Trustees under the will of Dr. Drinkhouse in accordance with the terms created by the said will. And that the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Board have been duly examined and audited. Report was adopted. (See Report D.)

On motion, the Conference instructed the Secretary to cast the ballot for J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, T. M. Murray, and Roland Watts as Conference Trustees until 1923.

The Order of the Day was the report of the committee on Benevolent Agencies, which was suspended in order to hear the report of the Deaconess Board. After the reading of the report of the Deaconess Board, the report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies (see Report L), which reviews the Deaconess Board report was read. It notes—

1.—That there has been a marked advance during the past year and it is gratifying to know it has passed the experimental stage.

2.—Appreciation is expressed to the churches for their generous benefactions, which has materially aided its growth. The sum of \$500. has been paid on debt this year.

3.—A regular training school with a prescribed course of study has been established for the first time in the history of the work.

4.—Praise in extended to the present Board of Managers for their earnest efforts in behalf of this noble and unselfish work.

5.—Five members are to be elected at this Conference whose terms have expired. One laywoman, two laymen, and two clergymen.

Recommendations: 1. That the assessment for the Deaconess work of \$2500. be continued for this year.

2. That the pastors keep the matter of the Deaconess work before their people, and urge young women sufficiently interested to take up the work of the Deaconess.

3. That the Board recommends consecration of the following named young ladies as Deaconesses: Miss Mary E. Foard, Miss Sara E. Cullen, Miss Myrtle Baus.

On motion, the report was adopted. (Report L.).

On motion, the present incumbents were reelected, except E. J. Page, for whom J. A. Baker was substituted.

On motion of T. H. Lewis the report of the Forward Movement as unfinished business, is to be considered after the consecration of the Deaconesses.

The following Deaconesses were consecrated: Miss Mary E. Foard, Miss Sara E. Cullen, Miss Myrtle Baus; and the President, J. H. Straughn, J. F. Bryan, G. W. Haddaway, E. T. Read, E. D. Stone, and A. S. Beane participated in the service. Miss C. K. Schwartz, Deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal Church, addressed the Conference on the theme, "The Master is come and calleth for thee." Miss Georgia Mason, preparing to become a Deaconess in the Methodist Protestant Church, was introduced to the Conference. The Deaconess consecration service closed with the benediction by T. H. Lewis.

The minority report, as a substitute for the majority report, of the Forward Movement Commission was called from the table and T. H. Lewis read a paper presenting his views on the Inter-Church World Movement, the items of which were:

1. That we align ourselves with the great movement in the aims it avows, to discover the needs of the world and to extend the kingdom of Christ.

2. That we declare our devotion to the great doctrines of this movement that Christian men and Christian property belong to Christ and must be given to Him.

3. That we therefore propose to the ministers and churches of the Maryland Conference a great, Christ-like, free-will offering to be raised within the dates of April 25 and May 1st, the sum to be our Annual Con-

ference Budget for general Conference interests amounting to \$22,000, and the additional amount of \$165,000. as our contribution to the Million Dollar Campaign.

4. That in view of our recent campaign we do not feel that this last item should be charged upon our churches as an assessment, but it should nevertheless be accepted as a service owed to humanity and our Lord. We suggest that the pastors have no right to limit in advance by our fears the willingness of our laymen. We therefore direct the Forward Movement Committee of this Conference to prepare and forward to each pastor and pastoral charge the amount they are asked to contribute to this offering. It was moved that this paper be substituted for the whole report. T. H. Lewis, N. J. Wimbrow, C. N. Alexander, J. H. Lynch, and Geo. Hines spoke. The section of the majority report was read at the request of T. H. Lewis. The delegate from N. C. Avenue Church, the delegate from Hurlock, J. B. Jones, G. W. Haddaway, B. F. Ruley, W. A. Melvin, S. H. Linthicum, H. B. Jester, J. M. Gill, J. M. Sheridan, spoke on the substitute. T. H. Lewis moved that the substitute be withdrawn, which was not permitted by the Conference on a vote by division. J. S. Mathias, J. A. Dudley, N. J. Wimbrow, E. B. Fenby, A. H. Green, F. M. Wilson, spoke on the report. The substitute was adopted; and the report as a whole was adopted. (See Report T.)

After announcements, Conference adjourned at 6:05 P. M. with Benediction by Geo. Hines.

Evening

The program for this session was held in the interest of the Young People's Work of the Conference Union. E. A. Sexsmith, Vice President of the Union, presided. A. J. Williar, W. D. Ford, George R. Smith, and H. C. Forrester made addresses.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY

Morning

Devotional services were led by I. S. Owens in place of H.L.Schlincke. Scripture lesson: John 15:1-13.

The President took the chair and the minutes were read and approved as read.

A. H. Green asked to be excused, which was granted. L. Y. Thornton, delegate from New Church, was also excused.

The Order of the Day was the report of the Electoral College and Conference gave way to said College.

Conference resumed at 10:50 A. M., with F. T. Little in the chair at the request of the President.

J. A. Dudley, the Conference Steward, asked the instruction of the Conference as to where the sums of money as legacies from the will of Miss Jennie Winfree, to the Lynchburg Church, should be inserted in the Conference report. It was moved by W. H. Litsinger that the Conference Steward be instructed to print the report as made out by G. Hines with a foot-note in explanation of the same. F. S. Cain, J. A. Dudley, G. W. Haddaway, G. I. Humphreys, and W. H. Litsinger spoke on the motion. The motion was adopted.

Rev. Paul M. Kanamori, who is leaving Washington, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Dr. Wilbur Craft, Secretary of the National Reform Bureau, located in Washington, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The delegate from Wye was excused from Conference; also the delegates from Hurlock and Pipe Creek.

A partial report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read. Recommendations:

1. That F. W. Siffon, G. E. Turner, and F. M. Volk be admitted into the Conference and be ordained, they being graduates of the Seminary.

2. That B. P. Crowson be received into the Conference on trial, and be given an appointment if possible so as to enable him to complete the full four-year course of study at the Seminary.

3. That C. M. Jenkins be received into the Conference on trial, provided he waives all claim upon the Superannuated Fund.

4. That E. C. Graham be received into the Conference.

5. That E. C. Miller be referred to the President of the Conference for employment and that he pursue the studies of the Preparatory Course; that M. A. Titchenell be put into the hands of the President of the Conference.

The report was taken up by items. On motion the first item was adopted. On motion, which was seconded, an amendment to the second item was offered by A. H. Green, that men, not ordained, but who render long service to the Conference shall, with their widows, have claim on the Superannuated Fund. J. W. Gray, J. W. Kirk, C. M. Elderdice, and H. L. Elderdice spoke on the amendment. The amendment was lost. On motion, the second item was adopted. On separate motions, the third, fourth, and fifth items were adopted. (See Report F.)

The report of the committee on Conference Arrangements was read. It stated that the Conference having accepted the invitation of our First Church, Washington, D. C., to hold its present session in that church, the committee was relieved of any special work in providing for the meeting. And the recommendation that an amount not to exceed \$50. be paid from the Conference funds to the committee of First Church to reimburse said church for certain sums expended for the proper accommodation of the Conference. (See Report R.)

The committee on Moral Reform, the Order of the Day, not being ready, Mr. G. W. Crabbe, Secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

G. W. Haddaway read a partial report of the committee on Church Extension. The report was taken up by items.

1. That the appropriation made at last Conference session to Emmanuel Church, Philadelphia, Pa., on purchase of lot to be applied toward church building provided they begin their new church this year. Adopted.

2. That the \$250. appropriated to Lewes Charge, which was inadvertently left out of our report last year, be paid to the proper authorities by the Treasurer of this Conference. Adopted. (See Report G.)

On motion, the Order of the Day at 1 P. M. was to be the receiving of the young men of the ministry into the Conference.

J. F. Bryan offered a resolution which was read and on motion was made the Order of the Day at 10:30 A. M. Monday morning.

L. F. Warner read a report of the special committee to whom was referred the item in the Secretary's report concerning the deficit of \$857. It stated that after careful consideration of resources and with rigid economies, that it was thought that the deficiency could be covered by increasing the Conference Assessment from \$1000. to \$1500. for this year only, which the committee so recommended. The report was adopted. (See Report Y.)

E. C. Makosky offered a resolution and on motion, it was referred to the committee on Moral Reform.

The First Methodist Protestant Church of Newark, N. J., presented an invitation for the holding of Conference in said Church next year. The paper was laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

On motion, the paper regarding T. R. Woodford, was referred to the committee on Official Relations.

The Conference gave way to the Church Extension Society.

Conference resumed and the Order of the Day was the reception of young men into the Conference. F. W. Siffrin, G. E. Turner, F. M. Volk,

B. F. Crowson, and E. C. Graham were introduced. The President addressed and welcomed them into the Conference.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed and on motion, adjourned with the Benediction by F. T. Benson.

NO AFTERNOON SESSION.

NO EVENING SESSION.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY

Morning

The Ordination sermon was preached by Avery Donovan at 11 o'clock in the Conference Church. A. N. Ward read the Scripture: Psalm 19:1-26, and J. McLain Brown led in prayer. The sermon was from the text: Psalm 18:19. The theme: "A Large Place."

A joint Ordination service between the three Methodisms was held in the afternoon at the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop Hendrix of the Methodist Episcopal Church South and Bishop McDowell of the Methodist Episcopal Church, President Straughn of the Methodist Protestant Church, assisted by F. T. Little, J. M. Sheridan, L. F. Warner, and G. I. Humphreys, took part in the service. The following men were ordained to the office of elder in the Church of Christ: F. W. Siffrin, G. E. Turner, and F. M. Volk.

SIXTH DAY—MONDAY

Morning

Devotional services were conducted by J. T. Bailey. Scripture lesson: John, Chapter 17.

President took the chair and the minutes were read and approved as read.

The roll of the absentees of both ministers and laymen was called.

On motion, W. H. Miles, the alternate from Oxford, was seated in the Conference.

C. P. Nowlin asked the advice of the Conference regarding a surplus of \$22.43, requesting that it be placed in the treasury on interest. This was granted by the Conference. He also read a partial report bearing on the General Conference Fund, which was adopted.

Instruction was asked from the Conference as to whom he must pay the money for Mrs. C. T. Cochell and was referred to S. W. Coe. On motion, he was instructed to pay the money due to A. A. Harryman to Mrs. Ida Wantz.

E. H. Van Dyke offered a paper which was laid on the table for further consideration.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 10:30 A. M. J. M. Sheridan read the following names: Mrs. J. S. Bowers, Mrs. W. R. Graham, Mrs. R. K. Lewis, and Miss Ruth Harryman to be referred to the committee on Superannuate Claimants. This was granted by the Conference.

Announcements were made by J. L. Mills and J. M. Sheridan.

E. B. Fenby asked for a resolution which had been laid on the table, which was then read: Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed by the chair to report at the next Annual Conference with recommendation as to the feasibility of the Conference insuring our Church property against loss by fire. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 4.)

F. T. Little took the chair at the request of the President.

The report of the Committee on closed churches was read. On motion, the report was referred to the committee on Church Extension. (See Report G.)

The report of the committee on the President's Report was read. (See Report A.) It states that the President has given a splendid report of the Maryland Annual Conference; gratification that God has been pleased to work through us to will and to do His good pleasure during the past year; and sorrow that four of our beloved brethren have been called from us during the past twelve months. It is with great pleasure that the committee hears of the success of Western Maryland College and Westminster Theological Seminary, and hope is expressed that many young men who are called of God to preach the gospel will enter these institutions this coming year. It is recommended that an appropriation up to \$300.00 be made to meet the expense of the program of the Summer Conference. Gratification is extended in that the time has arrived when missions are taken seriously by our people. It praises the work of the Church Extension phase of missionary activity, and commends the work of Dr. J. M. Sheridan. The Deaconess work has become so established that it is felt that thanks to the Lord for this branch of our church work should be given. The committee concurs in the suggestion of the President that the Superannuated Fund should have first claim upon our consideration.

That the Methodist Protestant through its visits to the homes informs the people of their church privileges and obligations. Hearty endorsement is given to the recommendation that a rural church commission be appointed to study the country church. Their findings should be reported in 1921. That a survey be included in every local program. That there be the selection of standing committees representing spiritual resources, life service, missionary education, stewardship and publicity. Gratification is noted in the increase in Pastor's salaries. Intense interest is expressed in the desire that our church shall go forward, and since the Inter-Church World Movement can point the way, it is bidden God-speed. Commendation is extended to the President for the unusual ability with which he has filled the office, and the esteem of all the brethren goes with him as he returns to the pastorate. On motion of T. H. Lewis the word "if" was changed to "since" in the report, with which change the report was adopted.

The report of the Superannuate Fund Committee was read and after explanation by J. M. Sheridan was laid on the table for 24 hours.

The invitation from the Methodist Protestant Church of Newark, New Jersey, inviting the Conference for next year, was again called from the table. On motion of T. O. Crouse the invitation was accepted by a rising vote.

E. D. Stone announced that he had a number of buttons used in the Million Dollar Campaign which would be given to any one who might want them.

The chair announced that some money had been already paid in on the Asbury Memorial fund and additional sums were given amounting to \$101.00.

The Report of the Special Committee to Co-operate with the Church Home was read. (See Report W.) It stated that the committee met the local Home committee at the Methodist Protestant Book Rooms in Baltimore, February 10, 1920. That owing to the program of the Forward Movement Commission it is expedient to postpone the Anniversary Celebration one year. The twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of the Home is to be held during the coming session of the Summer Conference. That a special publicity committee has already been appointed to prepare a folder containing facts, figures, and photographic views of the Home for distribution. And that the following recommendation is unanimously adopted, viz.: That a special committee be appointed by the President of the Conference to co-operate with the Local Home Anniversary Committee on arrangements.

The Report of the Summer Conference was read. It stated that the last session of the Summer Conference was held at the regular time and had its largest attendance. That arrangements are well under way for the next session. And that as the program for next year is very expensive it is respectfully requested that the Conference continue the appropriation of \$300.00. On motion the report was adopted, request granted and appropriation made. (See Report U.)

The following resolution was offered: "Resolved, That, inasmuch as the labors of the Conference Treasurer are becoming more arduous each year, not only demanding most of his time during the sessions of the Conference but extending throughout the entire Conference year and realizing that the remuneration for his splendid work is inadequate, therefore, be it resolved that his salary as Conference Treasurer be increased \$50., making a total of \$100. for the coming year." The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 5.)

Major J. W. D. Melvin, son of the late Dr. A. D. Melvin of this Conference, was introduced; also Dr. A. G. Dixon, who addressed the Conference.

A resolution regarding the consolidation of the General Boards was read and on motion, was taken up by sections. (See Memorials.) The first section was read, J. F. Bryan speaking on said section. E. A. Sexsmith moved that the paper of E. H. Van Dyke be substituted for the first section of the resolution. The paper after stating that it was in the interest of economy and efficiency, offered the following resolutions:

1. That the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, does hereby memorialize and request the coming General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, to give careful consideration to the subject of the merging of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the Board of Home Missions, and the Woman's Board of Home Missions into one Board of Missions.

2. That if it be found impracticable to make the four separate Missionary Agencies one, then it is petitioned that at least the merger of the two Foreign and the two Home Missionary Agencies so that there shall be but one Foreign and one Home Missionary organization within the Methodist Protestant Church.

F. C. Klein spoke on the resolution, and the first section as substituted was adopted. The second section of the first paper was read. It states that this Conference also memorialize the General Conference to consolidate under the name of the Board of Education and Young Peoples' Work, the present Board of Education and the present Board of Young

Peoples' Work; after which consolidation, there shall be but one General Secretary; which General Secretary shall be given an office Secretary; and the Board shall be composed of five ministers and five laymen, the office of said Board being located according to the wishes of the Board. On motion, the second section was referred to the Maryland delegation to the General Conference; J. F. Bryan and G. W. Haddaway speaking on the said section.

On motion the Conference recessed in order to hear the report of the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 12:00 P. M. and T. H. Lewis was granted the privilege by E. A. Sexsmith who previously had the floor, to offer a resolution commending the splendid work of Dr. F. T. Benson, which resolution was unanimously adopted.

E. A. Sexsmith, who had the floor, continued speaking on the paper on consolidation of the General Boards. Dr. A. G. Dixon, the Secretary of the Board of Young Peoples' Work, by the privilege of the Conference, was then heard. J. F. Bryan and F. C. Klein again spoke. On motion the memorial was referred to the Maryland Delegation to the General Conference on a vote by division.

Louis Randall, as Chairman of the Board of Finance, asked the instruction of the Conference as to the expenses of said Board. On motion, the Board was instructed to levy the amount of said expenses.

The delegate from Easton was excused from further attendance on the Conference.

After announcements, Conference recessed with the Benediction by J. W. Balderston.

Afternoon

Conference resumed at 2 P. M. with F. T. Little in the chair, and gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 2:15 P. M. and two receipts from Conference Treasurer, one of \$115.50 and the other \$106.00, an dues for the Superannuated Fund and the Church Extension Fund respectively, were submitted by the collectors.

The Secretary, G. I. Humphreys, appointed R. L. Shipley, G. W. Haddaway, and E. L. Ballard as assistant secretaries.

The report of the committee on Church Home was read. (See Report O.) It states that the Home is in splendid condition. It is deplored that so few of the pastors have appointed lady visitors from their charges and they are urged to attend to this matter. Commendation is extended

to those who sent donations to the Home during the year. Appreciation is expressed for the Victrola and records which have been placed in the Home, and the committee offers the following recommendation: That the assessment for this year be \$6000. instead of \$5000. as last year. On motion, the recommendation was adopted. On motion, the report as a whole was adopted.

The report of the committee on Moral Reform was read. (See Report K.) It states that in spite of the victories recently won we still need to present a solid and united front against the evils of the day. That the political corruptionists would be very well pleased for the Church to stay out of politics, but as citizens and Christians it is our duty to strike with invincible might. Gratification is expressed for the passing of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The Maryland Legislature is condemned severely for not passing the concurrent enforcement provided for in the Amendment. Regret is expressed that Governor Ritchie of Maryland lined up with the liquor interests. Our pledge is given to support the proper officials in the enforcement of the law. Allegiance to the Anti-Saloon League is again renewed and confidence expressed in the leadership of the Superintendent, G. W. Crabbe, and his associate, Mr. J. B. Mills. The Maryland Legislature is also condemned for its failure to do away with race-track gambling. Gratification is expressed in the fact that most of the bills liberalizing the Sabbath were defeated, but regret is expressed in that moving picture shows on Sunday did not meet a similar fate. Hearty endorsement is given to the Lord's Day Alliance. Laxity in our marriage laws is greatly deplored. Regret is expressed that the press of Baltimore City is usually to be found on the wrong side of every moral question. And disgust is experienced by all in the record of the Baltimore delegation in the Maryland Legislature.

J. W. Kirk, E. B. Fenby, G. W. Haddaway, and E. T. Read spoke on the report. R. L. Shipley moved that the whole of the personal reference to Gov. Ritchie be stricken out. W. H. Litsinger offered a substitute to the motion that this paragraph be recommitted to the committee. The substitute was lost; the motion to strike out was lost. The report as a whole was adopted.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed again at 3:35 P. M. with F. T. Little in the chair. Dr. W. W. Davis, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

A communication from Daniel Baker, was read to the Conference, expressing his regret in not being able to be in attendance, commending the Inter-Church World Movement and wishing success to the Conference.

Dr. W. G. Monroe offered a resolution concerning the raising of the Minimum Salary of the ministers of the Conference to not less than \$1000. and that the five year regulation be stricken out, and that the President do all he can to bring about this change. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 7.)

B. F. Ruley offered a resolution as to expenses to the next Annual Conference. G. I. Humphreys offered an amendment and the Conference suspended in order to give time to the writing of said amendment.

The pastor from Clayton, Del., E. C. Graham, was excused from Conference after the night session.

A resolution from the North Baltimore Church Membership Meeting was read. On motion of F. C. Klein, seconded by G. W. Haddaway, F. T. Little, W. H. Litsinger, and G. W. Haddaway speaking, the paper was referred to the Maryland Delegation of the General Conference. (See Memorial.)

P. W. Crosby, was excused from further attendance at Conference.

G. I. Humphreys read his amendment to the paper as to the expense of Conference Entertainment. B. F. Ruley, G. W. Haddaway, G. I. Humphreys, and W. H. Litsinger spoke on the amendment. On motion of W. H. Litsinger, the paper with the amendment was referred to a special committee to report tomorrow morning, Tuesday. On motion, the Treasurer of the Conference was made the chairman of the committee. On motion, the chair appointed B. F. Ruley and W. O. Atwood also as members of the committee.

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The report of the committee on Statistics was then read (see Statistical Tables), and a recommendation that in view of increased values, pastors and Quarterly Conferences should give the matter of property valuation their earnest consideration for the next annual report, was requested. The report was adopted. The recommendation was also adopted, G. W. Haddaway speaking on said recommendation.

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Evening

Conference resumed at 8 P. M. called to order by the Secretary and by common consent F. T. Little took the chair.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 8:15 P. M. with F. T. Little in the chair and gave way to the Mutual Relief Association, which was the Order of the Day.

The Mutual Relief Association gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed again at 9:00 P. M. and J. McL. Brown asked to be excused from further attendance at Conference, which was granted.

The Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 9:15 P. M. with the President in the chair.

The telegram from Daniel Baker was called from the table, and on motion, was referred to a special committee. The telegram was again read by request. W. H. Litsinger, L. B. Smith, and F. M. Wilson were appointed by the President on this committee.

A paper concerning the young life of the Sunday School was read and referred to the committee on Young Peoples' Work.

A letter from T. R. Woodford was read and on motion of T. O. Crouse, was to be answered by the Secretary.

A letter from G. A. Morris was read; also a letter from P. L. Rice.

A set of resolutions relating to the work of L. B. Smith in Seattle, Washington, was read.

A report of the Audit Committee on the Conference Treasurer's report was read. It stated that all accounts in the Conference Treasurer's report were correct. The report was adopted. (See Report P.)

The report of the Maryland Conference expenses in putting on the Million Dollar Campaign was read, and a motion was made that the Treasurer of the Conference be instructed to get in touch with the delinquent charges. F. T. Little asked as to the authority of the assessment in this report and the President explained. A. W. Betts stated that he had his amount to be paid. The motion was adopted.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 9:40 and on motion, F. T. Little took the chair.

The committee appointed one year ago on the Superannuated Fund

was then read, and a motion was made that the drive be postponed for another year and that the same committee continue. (See Report V.)

J. W. Kirk asked as a member of the committee for an explanation of the report. G. W. Haddaway spoke on the report. J. W. Kirk explained his absence as a member of the committee and spoke on the report.

The motion was adopted.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed again at 9:55 P. M. An announcement was made by the President as to changes in the Faculty of Instruction: E. H. Van Dyke to teach "Nichols' Help to the Study of the Bible," in the place of J. M. Holmes; and L. F. Warner to teach "Lewis' The Divine Credentials" and "Peck's, The Revival and Pastor in the place of W. R. Graham. T. O. Crouse made announcement as to the English grammar to be used in the Conference Course.

The report of the committee on Young Peoples' Work was read. (See Report J.) It stated that the School of Methods held at Westminster last summer was a great success. That approval is given to the resolution that steps be taken by the General Conference to provide Graded Lesson Helps in all departments of our Sunday School. Special attention is called to the Daily Vacation Bible School work. Special attention is called to the Denominational Convention to be held at High Point, N. C., May 18-20. Pastors are urged to send representatives to the rallies. And gratification is expressed in the fact that for the first time the full amount of the goal for the support of our Conference Union Missionary, Rev. Chas. Heininger, was reached in the Union's fiscal year.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed at 10:07 P. M. with F. T. Little in the chair.

G. W. Haddaway moved that the Conference Treasurer be instructed to borrow the sum of \$700. to be paid on the West Lafayette College indebtedness. The motion was adopted.

Conference gave way to the Electoral College.

Conference resumed and after announcements adjourned with the Benediction by G. F. Farring.

SEVENTH DAY—TUESDAY

Morning

Devotional services were conducted by J. L. Nichols. Scripture lesson: Psalm 91.

Conference was called to order by the President and the minutes were read and approved.

The delegate from Harrington, Del., asked to be excused after adjournment this morning, which was granted.

A letter from Dorsey Blake was read.

A resolution requesting that the furniture in the parsonage at Oden-ton, Md., be placed under the care of the Conference Church Extension Society, was read. Resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 8.)

The following resolution was read: Resolved, that Rule VI of the Conference Manual be changed so as to fix the time of the Conference sermon and Communion service at 10:30. That paragraph 3 be designated para. 2, and that para. 4 be changed by substituting "10:30 A. M." for "8 P. M.," and designated para. 3; that in para. 2, after title "Examination of the President" the words "At 2:00 P. M." be inserted and this para. be numbered 4; that "2:30" be changed to "3" in para. 5. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 10.)

A resolution was offered by T. P. Fisher amending the Manual relative to the duties of the President. The first item was read and J. F. Bryan, E. A. Sexsmith, J. M. Sheridan, J. M. Gill, T. P. Fisher, G. Hines, C. M. Elderdice, G. W. Haddaway, E. T. Read, T. O. Crouse, R. L. Shipley, W. M. Strayer, C. P. Nowlin, N. C. Clough, G. I. Humphreys, and L. B. Smith spoke on this item. G. Hines and J. M. Gill spoke again on the same item. The previous question was called for and sustained. Decision of the vote was doubted, and the Secretary asked for a standing vote. The item was adopted with 78 yea and 54 nay votes. The second item was read and adopted. The third item was read and adopted. The resolution as a whole was adopted. (See Resolution 11.)

Conference gave way to the Electoral Collège.

Conference resumed at 11:45 A. M. with F. T. Little in the chair.

It was moved that when we recess it shall be until 1 P. M., which was passed.

The report of the Faculty of Instruction was read and on motion, was taken up by item. The first item was adopted. The second item was read. On motion of J. M. Sheridan, H. E. Kester's name was stricken out. E. L. Beauchamp asked why Earl Cummings' name was omitted. E. L. Beauchamp offered the following amendment: That Earl Cummings be given license to administer the Ordinances provided he be given an appointment. The amendment was adopted and the motion as amended was adopted. The third item was read and on motion, as amended was adopt-

ed. The fourth item was read and adopted. The report as a whole, as amended, was adopted. (See Report F.)

E. L. Beauchamp offered a resolution requesting that members of one church moving into the vicinity of another church be urged to join the church in the location to which they have moved, after the President of the Conference and the several pastors and members have been consulted. The motion was adopted. (See Resolution 12.)

A resolution by W. F. Wright was read authorizing the Conference Treasurer to borrow money for the expenses of the General Conference Delegation. The motion was adopted. (See Resolution 13.)

On motion, Conference recessed with the Benediction by G. Q. Bachus.

Afternoon

Conference resumed at 1:00 P. M. with the President in the chair.

The report of the special committee appointed to review the telegram of Daniel Baker was read and adopted. (See Report Z.)

A resolution regarding Conference entertainment was read together with the entire report of the special committee. The special committee reports that it is deemed impracticable to make any changes in the present plan for this year and recommends that a special committee be appointed to take up this matter for next year. The report was adopted. (See Report AA.)

The report of the committee on Missions was read. It commends the wisdom of the Board in taking over the work in China. That the work in Japan is as successful as any Mission work considering the number of men in the field. That the work in India is most promising. The Children's Day program is urgently recommended. And it is gratifying that the success of the Million Dollar Campaign will give the Board the much needed funds. F. C. Klein was then heard. The report as corrected was adopted. (See Report N.)

The committee on Moral Reform reported on the paper submitted to it by Rev. W. C. McKlurken, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The paper was sanctioned and the report was adopted. (See Report K.)

The report on Official Relations was read, and adopted, after a motion to strike out the paragraph referring to the indebtedness to the Board of Education. Certain other recommendations followed and were heartily concurred in by the Conference. F. S. Cain and T. O. Crouse spoke on the report. A separate item regarding the question of Conference Entertainment was adopted by rising vote. (See Report M.)

The report of the Board of Finance was read. It stated that the amount appropriated by the Conference of \$1500. changes the percentage as reported by the special committee on Assessments and Budget as follows: President's salary, 10 8-10%; Maryland Conference interests 70 9-10%; General Conference interests, 18 3-10%. The special assessment of \$1300. for General Conference Expenses has been distributed on the regular percentage basis. The report was adopted. (See Report E.)

The report of the committee on Audit was read and on motion was adopted. (See Report P.)

The report of the Agent for President's Parsonage was read and adopted. (See Report A.)

The report of the Conference Steward was read and on motion was adopted after questions by E. T. Read and explanation by J. A. Dudley.

The report of the Conference Treasurer was read and by common consent was submitted for the usual publication in the Minutes and for review by the Audit Committee.

The names of the absentees of the Conference were called and corrections made.

The report of the committee on Superannuates was read. The recommendations are as follows:

1. That \$6000. be assessed on the district.
2. That J. S. Bowers, A. A. Harryman, W. R. Graham, Mrs. J. M. Elderdice, and Mrs. C. T. Cochell deceased during the year.
3. That Mrs. J. S. Bowers, Mrs. R. K. Lewis, Mrs. W. R. Graham and the daughter of A. A. Harryman be granted Superannuated relations.
4. And that Mrs. S. J. Smith and Mrs. J. H. S. Ewell make no request for this year.
5. And that the fund paid 100% for this year.

The report was adopted. (See Report H.)

Conference gave way to the Superannuated Fund Society.

Conference resumed at 3:30 P. M., the Superannuated Fund Society suspending in order to receive C. M. Jenkins and C. P. Butler into the Conference; they were received by the President.

Conference gave way to the Superannuated Fund Society.

Conference resumed at 3:40 P. M. with the President in the chair.

J. A. Dudley read some additions to the report of the Conference Steward which were to be inserted in said report.

The report of the Church Extension Committee was read. G. Q. Bacchus moved that the report be adopted as a whole. A. F. T. Raum moved

to amend that the sum of \$500. be appropriated to the Skinner's Neck Church in two yearly installments provided they build this year, each year receiving \$250. A. F. T. Raum spoke on the amendment. T. O. Crouse asked as to the location of Skinners Neck which was given. F. T. Little moved that the motion to amend be referred to the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society. The Conference gave permission for the withdrawal of the motion to refer providing J. M. Sheridan and L. F. Warner explained satisfactorily the facts concerning this church. F. T. Little was granted the privilege to renew his motion to refer, and the motion was carried. The committee was permitted to insert \$200. appropriated on pastor's salary at the Payson Street church, which was inadvertently omitted from the report. W. M. Strayer, S. H. Linthicum, J. Lynch, E. H. Van Dyke, G. W. Haddaway, and J. A. Dudley asking for information, J. M. Sheridan, spoke on the report. The report stated that all papers referred to it have been considered carefully. The work of the Church Extension Superintendent is commended. That the reports of the Church Extension Society of the Conference, the Baltimore City, and the Peninsula Societies show great success. That the Quarterly Conference of Liberty Circuit has no right to retain the proceeds of the sale of Walkersville Church, but that it should invest the same in church building according to the law of our Church as found in the Discipline, Page 109, para. 5. And hearty approval is given to the consolidation of the Broadway and Lauraville Churches. It is recommended:

1. That the same amount as last year be laid upon Conference District for Church Extension.

2. That in view of the consolidation of Broadway and Lauraville Churches that a pastor and an assistant pastor be appointed by the President to the work.

3. That a committee be appointed on survey of territory in Carroll, Frederick and Howard Counties to report at the next session of Conference.

4. That the Payson Street building enterprise be referred to the Board of Managers of the Conference Church Extension Society with power to act, the said Board not having power to involve this Conference in money, to an amount exceeding \$1000.

5. The reappointment of J. M. Sheridan as Church Extension Superintendent.

6. The closed churches in the Conference District to be looked after by the Superintendent of Church Extension.

Boundaries:

1. That Madison and Chateau on the Cambridge Charge be detached and constitute a Circuit to be known as Cambridge Circuit; and that the Church in Cambridge be known as Cambridge Station.

2. That Dagsboro Church continue under the care of the pastor of Georgetown, Del.; and Selbyville under the care of Whaleyville pastor.

3. That Faith, and Hebron Churches be attached to Cannon Charge; Central Church on same charge under the care of the pastor of Milford Station; and that Salem of the same Charge be attached to Harbeson Charge.

4. That Skinners Neck Church be attached to Wesley Chapel of Kent.

5. That the name of Nichols Memorial Charge be changed to Nichol's Memorial and Glen Burnie. (See Report C.)

The report as a whole was adopted. (See Report G.).

Louis Randall, Chairman of the Board of Finance, explained the absence of the tabulated report of the Committee.

A resolution was read by N. C. Clough naming the special committee to consider the adjustment of circuits located in Carroll, Frederick and Howard Counties. The resolution was adopted. (See Resolution 14.)

E. C. Makosky moved that the Forward Movement Commission be continued for the coming Conference year. J. M. Gill spoke on the motion. F. T. Little moved as a substitute that the chair appoint a Forward Movement Commission. The motion as substituted was adopted.

On motion, F. K. McCorkle was to be ordained this afternoon.

The minutes were read and approved at 3:45 P. M.

A list of special committees were read. The President took the chair. F. K. McCorkle was ordained. Louis Randall, W. B. Judefind, A. S. Beane, and C. P. Nowlin assisted in the ordination.

Following the ordination service, the President after appropriate remarks, in which he challenged the Conference to a year of intensive work, especially to the raising of 100 % of our Benevolences on all charges, read the plan of appointments. (See Report A.) The hymn, "What a Friend we have in Jesus," was sung; and on motion the Conference adjourned at 4:45 P. M. with benediction by J. L. Mills.

G. I. HUMPHREYS,
Secretary.

J. H. STRAUGHN,
President.

REPORTS

Report A

THE PRESIDENT.

TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren:

The labors of another year are ended and we have come together to make report of our activities and achievements. It has been a busy year and in many particulars, an extraordinary year. Our programs have never been so numerous nor so far-reaching in their scope.

And in the midst of busy labors, we have been able to rejoice in a goodly fellowship. A beautiful spirit of unity has pervaded our work. We have been conscious of a new atmosphere, and in these days, atmosphere, even in the scheme of redemption, is as necessary for generation as for regeneration. There can be no ecclesiastical initiative, no sustaining and sanctifying impulses without it. Certainly the vision of the Kingdom has been dominant in the activities of the year. Our churches have been more responsive to worthy and unselfish tasks.

But we come together not only to review the past, but to view the future. The work of a Conference is not simply to compile statistics, to classify reports, to be happy in the successes of the year. We must compile statistics and amplify the basis of reports. And while there may be joy in the manifestation of God's favor, it must always be remembered the things to be sought after are, not compliments, but accomplishments. And the vision must widen and deepen with the years. A finished job means other and bigger jobs to finish. We grow not by reaching high standards, but by reaching toward higher standards. The quickened impulse in our activities must be not the end of new progress and new propaganda, but only the beginning. I hope this Conference will not, for a moment, tolerate a backward step, nor even mark time in present attainments, but in our thinking and planning and doing, there will be abundant evidence for the spirit of a real and continuous Forward Movement.

Our Beloved Dead.

Some of the laborers of the year will not respond to Conference roll call. They have found new appointments and new ministries in the midst of heavenly opportunities. If their voices are silent upon earth, may we not say, there is no silence, "When the roll is called up yonder," and may we not still say, in poetic vision, they serve as flaming evangelists

"Where congregations ne'er break up
And Sabbaths have no end?"

During the year death has invaded our ministerial ranks four times. To three brethren, it was a call after the toils of itinerant life were over; to the fourth brother, it was a call in the midst of toils abundant and blessed. On August 20 JOHN SOLON BOWERS approached the grave with unfaltering trust, "like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams." He slept while angels opened the portals of immortality. Dr. Bowers joined the Conference in 1881. He served important pastorates. He was honored by this body as one of its presidents. He was a man of forceful personality, of keen intellect and possessed administrative gifts to a large degree. He was grounded in the principles of Methodist Protestantism and was singularly loyal to his spiritual and ecclesiastical birthright.

On December 28 ROBERT KENDALL LEWIS found the burden too heavy. He stopped to rest awhile and while resting, "the light that was ne'er o'er land and sea" filled his path and he could not return to the shadows of earth. Weak in body, he was strong in the elements which make Christian manhood. He was humble, gentle, cheerful, unselfish. There was a transparency in his character which revealed the glitter of jeweled goodness. 1891 appears after his name on the Conference roll. It was not a long ministry but it was a faithful ministry. And notwithstanding physical weakness, he did his work well. "Bob" Lewis, as he was familiarly called, will not soon be forgotten.

On February 20 AQUILLA AUGUSTUS HARRYMAN laid aside mortality for immortality. Wrestling with infirmities in the eventide of life, the weary, waiting pilgrim beheld the glorious sunset at the end of the journey. Bro. Harryman came into the Conference in 1871 and while never identified with conspicuous charges, yet the years of his ministry were faithful and fruitful. He found joy in humble service and when sorrows and afflictions cast their shadows, he retired from the pastorate, but with deep regret that he could no longer tell the story of love as in days of gladness and strength. He can tell it now and forever.

February 24 was a day of relief and victory for WALTER RALEIGH GRAHAM. The closing months of his life were full of suffering, but he bore it with heroic fortitude and was not without the comforts and triumphs of faith. Dr. Graham was a great preacher. Wherever he went he never failed to make the impression he was a minister of the Gospel. He was indefatigable and successful in his work and with an indomitable will could not be swerved from his convictions. He joined the Conference in 1873. He gave his best to the church. His name will not only be written in the Memorial Roll, but memory will be perpetuated in the numerous communities where he ministered with dignity, grace and efficiency.

Obituary committees have been appointed and will make full report.

On January 10 Rev. C. J. Burdette passed beyond the vision of men, for even a closer walk with God. He was not a member of the Conference, but served under the stationing authority of the Conference from 1900 to 1917. At my request Rev. H. O. Keen has written for a testimonial, an appreciation of his life and ministry. I recommend that this testimonial be printed among the obituaries in the Conference minutes, in recognition of 17 years of faithful ministerial service.

Death has also invaded the inner and elect circle of our Conference fraternity. Five noble women, sharing in the call and toil of ministerial responsibility, have stepped aside to wear the immortal crown. Their years may have been hidden in home duties and humble duties, to a greater or less degree, but it was life hidden with God and life spent in real and unselfish service for the King. Truly they were King's daughters and "In His Name," they poured forth precious ointment and made the commonplaces of life witness to the greatness of love.

On October 3 Mrs. Eunity Elderdice entered upon the joys of the redeemed. She was a good woman and while waiting for the weary years to pass, she stood by the traditions of the honored name of Elderdice on the Conference roster. Mrs. Elderdice was the widow of Rev. James M. Elderdice, the father of H. L. and J. L. Elderdice and grandfather of C. M. Elderdice.

Mrs. Dora Johnson, beloved wife of Rev. H. S. Johnson, slipped away gradually and quietly and on November 7 the radiant morn had scattered every shadow. Mrs. Johnson possessed the gentle, dignified, unobtrusive nature, with Christian convictions running as deep as still waters. The heart of her husband did trust in her and days of separation have added deeper meaning to precious memories.

On March 2 Mrs. Bessie C. Litsinger, beloved wife of Rev. W. H. Litsinger, was called so suddenly to the heavenly home, it seems she is only gone for a little while and must soon return to the earthly home. Life's mysteries cannot be unraveled even at the grave, but some day the shadows will flee away and we shall understand. The life of Mrs. Litsinger was the embodiment of the best ideals and love's sweet dream is more precious than treasures of gold.

On March 9 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Cochel, widow of Rev. C. T. Cochel, lingered long after the departure of her husband, but hope and love have now found perfect fruition. Mrs. Cochel was well advanced in years. She had outlived the friends of other days, but she was remembered by some of the older ministers for her sterling and useful qualities and there are devoted and dutiful children to rise up and call her blessed.

And yet one more to pass over unto the other side. It was Mrs. Elizabeth C. Moore, widow of Rev. Thomas A. Moore, and the summons came on March 10. Mrs. Moore was not widely known, having retired, with her husband, from itinerant life in 1859 and having spent the long years of widowhood in one place. She was a good woman and goodness has its crowning day.

And death has also claimed some of the children of our ministers. And time would fail me to tell of the many noble sons and daughters in the ranks of the laity, who have heard the call to go thence. "These all, having obtained a good report through faith," contributed their share toward the progress of the Kingdom. It is said this inscription appears at the base of the marble bust of John Wesley in Westminster Abbey, "God buries the workers, but He carries on the work." Methodism continues as one of the great agencies of the Kingdom, because the spiritual children of Wesley contend zealously and righteously and pour out their life blood even unto death.

"To our graves we walk
In the thick footprints of departed men."

Before plunging into the facts and figures of the years work, we linger reverently in tender memory of our beloved dead. The saints in heaven and the saints on earth are linked in a divine partnership of reciprocities. Death is but an incident in the unities and continuities of redemption. We cannot forget the labors of those who have gone before nor be unmindful of the responsibilities of those who come after. In our Conference deliberations every thought and activity must be related to the completeness of the inheritance. "God having provided some better way for us, that they without us, should not be made perfect."

Ordinations.

Pursuant to the action of last Conference on April 13 at Salisbury I ordained Rev. H. L. Murphy to the office of elder. In this service I was assisted by Revs. G. A. Morris, E. H. Jones and W. P. Roberts.

On April 21 at Alnutt Memorial Revs. L. E. Haddaway and G. E. McDorman were likewise ordained. I was assisted by Drs. F. T. Little and J. M. Sheridan.

Unsupplied Charges and Changes.

Shortly after Conference the following assignment was made to the unsupplied charges:

Crumpton, B. P. Crowson
Dagsboro on Selbyville, J. T. Bailey
Queen Anne, C. E. McCullough
Selbyville on Selbyville charge, C. P. Butler
Tyreanna, George Hines
Waverly, M. A. Titchenell
West Wilmington, B. F. Jester

On August 1 Rev. C. E. Bulen was released from Mapleside and Fairview and Rev. G. H. Little, a graduate of Adrian and now a student at the Seminary, was assigned to take his place. On August 1 Rev. A. B. Dupuy resigned from the pastorate of Leeds. On Sept. 1 Rev. V. A. Miller was transferred from Bethany to Leeds and on same date Rev. L. E. Bee of the West Virginia Conference was appointed pastor of Bethany. Rev. W. C. Bowden of Georgetown Circuit sent me his resignation to take effect October 1. At my request Rev. C. E. Dryden of Milford has taken care of Central church. The other three churches on Georgetown Circuit have had no regular preaching services, except as local supplies have been secured from time to time. On Sept. 12 Rev. T. E. F. Morton of Quantico resigned and Rev. H. J. Mason of Milford Quarterly Conference on October 3 was assigned to the pastorate thus vacated. On Oct. 3 Rev. W. H. Hodges was released from Lewistown and in his place on the same date Rev. Perry E. Grimm of the Seminary was appointed. On account of physical inability Rev. C. E. McCullough on Jan. 17 asked to be released

from Queen Anne. For the remainder of the Conference year I asked Rev. L. W. Gordon of Wye to render what service he could for the two churches of Queen Anne charge. No satisfactory arrangement could be made with Middleway for a pastor. Campbell, Greensboro and Talbot are on the list of closed churches and by action of Conference are in the hands of the Superintendent of Church Extension. From the standpoint of supply, the work of the whole Conference has been cared for, with comparatively few changes and interruptions during the year.

Transfer and Withdrawal.

On Sept. 23 I received the transfer of Rev. C. P. Butler from the West Virginia Conference. The mode of procedure governing transfers has been followed. The papers are now in the hands of the Secretary for Conference approval.

On August 1 Rev. A. B. Dupuy, having withdrawn from the ministry of the Methodist Protestant Church and entered the ministry of another church, I recommend that his name be stricken from the list.

The President's report this year can appropriately be grouped around the subjects of the Forward Movement. This is the Forward Movement year. It is the year of larger vision and intensified effort. And in the perspective of quickened activities we may well begin with

Education.

Every problem of the church in its final and even in its first analysis is the human problem. We must be concerned for the making of character and for character which embodies the most complete make-up for efficiency. Education is winning for itself new victories and new friends in these days so fraught with great opportunities as well as with grave dangers. Instinctively we look to our schools for leaders of thought and leaders of the best thought. The age is especially in need of ideals rather than idols; of prophets rather than profiteers.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE stands in the front rank of the smaller colleges of the country, and in the closer contact of teachers and students, smaller colleges have gained a new asset as bigness of operations has become more dominant in the educational world. For over 50 years Western Maryland has done its work quietly and modestly and a reason for the hope that was in its first founders and friends, can be found in the splendid progress, prestige and personnel of the Alumni. Today the work goes on even more hopefully, with increasing efficiency, increasing endowment, increasing influence. Western Maryland stands for the best ideals. In these days when skepticism has crept into the school life of the nation, it is gratifying to know there is a safe place for the growing mind and heart—a place where our boys and girls, starting in deeper search for truth, can be associated with wise teachers and sane books, under the most wholesome surroundings. And so the door is being opened wider for religious education. Dr. Lewis will report somewhat

in detail concerning the work of the year, but I want to sound a sympathetic note in advance and urge pastors and laymen to get behind the College strongly and practically, with recruits and resources, so it can serve commensurately with the needs and opportunities of an ever-enlarging constituency.

WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY can likewise give a good report of its stewardship. It is our only school of theological training and we ought to be vitally interested in its welfare and development. The Board of Governors will report a much larger student roll than last year and with more college graduates among the number. The \$50,000 Building Fund Campaign has been entirely covered by subscriptions. The Seminary is also a beneficiary of the Million Dollar Campaign. These increased funds should mean increased fundamentals. Already the foundation of the new building has been laid, and with it, the foundation of a new efficiency, for the Seminary must extend its work in every way, in order to keep faith with those who have responded with their gifts. Dr. Elderdice is to be commended for having developed plans wisely and aggressively. And in an effort to meet the needs of the church and the requirements of the age, we are all rejoicing that a real step has now been made in the direction of more adequate equipment.

But, alas, the shortage of ministers continues. It is not confined to one church. It is the problem of all churches. And it is a serious problem. It involves the very proclamation and permanence of the Gospel itself. There is no escape from consideration of the subject. We must be concerned for those who are to follow in our footsteps and concerned also for the scope and character of the ideals which shall dominate their ministry. No doubt war conditions, for the time being, have created peculiar difficulties for ministerial recruits, but skepticism, commercialism and even the worldliness of the Church have been the real and constant deterrents. But the church must have leaders and leaders must be divinely called. Faith must not only provide faculties and facilities, but faith must look to God for those who are to be sought and taught. The only recourse is in prayer. And to show the deeper meaning of prayer, we must magnify the office of the ministry and with spirited and spiritual emphasis, keep before the thought of the church the responsibilities and opportunities of the most vital service of all. Many of our churches observed Life Enlistment Sunday and among other phases of definite consecration, the claims of the ministry were included, but the subject does not receive the general and generous consideration to which it is justly entitled. We are far from the goal set up by the Forward Movement. Educational Day could be made a great asset and inspiration. I would like to have this particular paragraph referred to the Committee on Literature and Education, so that more than a passing emphasis could be given to the need of a larger and better equipped ministry. The church has not met the first demand of the re-construction age, until the best thought is given to those who are to man its pulpits and manage its programs.

SUMMER CONFERENCE has passed out of the experimental into the experiential stage. It is becoming so well established, it may now be reckoned as one of the permanent educational agencies of our work. No argument is needed to bolster or boost its claims. The Summer Confer-

ence speaks convincingly for itself. There is a rising tide of interest and we are hopeful this year College Hill will literally feel the sweep of a new conviction and hear the sound of a new enthusiasm. The program committee will endeavor to make it worth while. There will be discussion of vital religious themes as well as of those subjects and activities which more particularly relate to our own church. And the program will be arranged not especially for College and Seminary men, but also for those who have never had the benefit of technical and theological instruction. The Summer Conference, if not a vocational, will be a vocational training school, and training for leadership in these days is the foremost thought of the awakened church. And need I say the pastors who really lead are those who are always going to school with gifted teachers and growing students. I wish to renew the recommendation that an appropriation up to \$300 be made available to meet the expense of the program.

In this connection I want to call attention to two societies.

MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Both have an educational significance. One is a legally incorporated body, with an endowment fund, whose income is used for the support of worthy and needy young men preparing for the ministry. A report will be made to Conference. The other is concerned in gathering interesting data in the way of books, papers, pictures, &c. We have an honored and heroic past. It is well to recall the names and deeds of those who toiled amid much tribulation, but we are not live on history. We are still to make history, a record of which can be preserved in the archives of the society as memorials for coming generations.

Missions.

The Forward Movement puts tremendous emphasis upon Missions. In these days of world re-construction, it could not be otherwise. The great problems now are not national problems, but world problems. If one nation suffers, all nations suffer. No fact is more logical and psychological than the solidarity of the race. Jesus came to save the world and not any particular part of the world. All people must see the radiance which streams from the cross, if it is to be said ethically and poetically the new Kingdom has come.

"Out of the shadows of night,
The world rolls into light,
It is daybreak everywhere."

Recent world surveys have put new meaning and new responsibility into the missionary situation and the money which has been made available will no doubt give a quickened impulse to missionary study, for people always become interested in enterprises where they have money investments. Our Board of Foreign Missions will receive approximately one-fourth of the Million Dollar Campaign. The special gifts this year far exceed the regular income of the Board for the whole year. This ought to inaugurate a new epoch in missionary administration. I am glad the high standard set by Maryland last year in missionary giving is now multiplying itself in geographical and geometrical ratios. But we have not yet

touched the money resources of the Kingdom in any self-respecting and self-denying way. If the members of our church could be persuaded to give only a penny a day to missions, the total amount would be sixteen times larger than the regular contributions put upon the altar for the definite conquest of heathen lands.

The Board has had its representatives in the field, studying at close range the need for betterments and extensions. Every effort will be made to spend money judiciously. A new and larger basis of appeal can now be presented. The scope of missionary activity must be widened. Not only must preachers and teachers be sent, but doctors, nurses, chemists, engineers—all who can do the pioneer work of Christian civilization. On account of the absence of Dr. Klein, I am not able to present details, but I am sure definite information will be given to the Committee on Missions. We welcome Dr. Klein home and his address this year will be listened to by the Conference with more than ordinary interest.

But the winning of the world to Christ must be linked closely to the winning of America, if current events have any interpretative significance. The world cannot be made safe for democracy until it is made safe for righteousness. And America, with resources, weakened and wasted less by the great war than any other nation, must lead in the program of world-wide evangelization. The primary base of operations is the home base. In our country there are unoccupied fields and unaffiliated forces. There is an alien and alienated population to be ministered unto. The cosmopolitanism of our citizenship has gained wide publicity and a practical exemplification of Christian ideals would re-enforce the missionary across the seas. American redeemed would hasten the day of the world's redemption. Our Home Missionary work is vitally related to the Kingdom as well as to the Church. The policy of the Board is to develop new fields in territory adjacent to Conferences and new and strategic fields within the territory of Conferences themselves. Only as we take the city, can we take the citadel of unrighteousness. Dr. Beck reports a growing program of activities. Appropriations have been made to three new enterprises in Maryland. The larger income of the Board will, no doubt, direct attention to higher standards and more definite objectives, and the constant aim will be to reach the best ideals of administrative efficiency.

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES. The women also have caught the larger vision. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reports 44 auxiliaries, 1430 members, receipts for the year \$12,200. It is the best year in the history of the Maryland Branch. A missionary is supported in China. Plans are being made to send forth a medical missionary. The Woman's Home Missionary Society can multiply the report of last year by two, in both the number of societies and the amount of contributions. The Maryland Branch is back of the work of the Pine Ridge School in Kentucky, of which Rev. T. R. Woodford is the Superintendent. The ladies are thinking of establishing a girls' home in Baltimore. Both of these Societies are represented in the program of the Conference.

CHURCH EXTENSION is a vital phase of missionary work. It lays a basis of opportunity for the proclamation of the evangel in both home

and foreign fields. Indeed, Church Extension gets back of all our activities and widens the scope of their possibilities. Only as we multiply churches and constituencies can we multiply resources and influences to be dedicated to the redemption of the world. No denomination can grow without a strong Church Extension program and propaganda. In facing the gigantic tasks of Christianity, our principles are not worthy of contention, if they are not worthy of extension. In recent years we have been endeavoring to do Church Extension work in a more definite and discriminating way and in harmony with a larger vision. Dr. Sheridan, the Church Extension Superintendent, has labored incessantly and as a result of special activities, there are some things to show, but more things to grow. Necessarily in our reports we see the process of extending churches, rather than the procession of extended churches. Church Extension is continuous and cumulative work.

For this year only the following has been accomplished. Arundel Cove. A lot has been donated worth \$700. Elvaton church on Marley charge has been moved to this new location at a cost of about \$2000, including some improvements. The church will be dedicated in a few weeks. Colmar in Washington, D. C. A lot has been purchased for \$732. \$1500 have been promised on chapel to be erected. Graceland Park, suburb of Baltimore. Lot 100x125 donated by Eastern Development Co., worth \$1600. A Sunday-school has been organized and money is being collected for a chapel. Broadway and Lauraville have decided to merge. A lot will be selected at an early date. A lot has been purchased in North Baltimore for the new Waverly Church. Plans will develop after Conference. An effort is being made to revive interest at Selbyville by paying off the debt. \$505 have been secured to date. The whole amount should be raised. A lot for the new church in Wilmington, Del., has been bought for \$13,500. Some plan of finance should be started at once. The Peninsula Church Extension Society is back of this enterprise, but the support of the whole Conference must be enlisted. A recent survey in Wilmington found 156 Methodist Protestant families, expressing an interest in this new work. 110 pledge cards have been signed. This largely represents families and willingness to become charter members of the organization. There is a Ladies Aid Society with 65 members. \$1200 have been pledged on current expenses for next year. A hall has been rented. The outlook is full of promise.

Another encouraging feature is the awakened or perhaps I should say, the awakening interest of laymen. Recently 1000 new members were secured for the Baltimore City Church Extension Society. 25 laymen carried the message of Church Extension into that many churches. 2500 members were secured last year for the Peninsula Society and the effort will be repeated this year. This interest on the part of our laymen is indicative of a Forward Movement in Church Extension. And these laymen are ready to deal with the subject from a new and larger angle of approach.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETIES. The Conference, Baltimore City, District of Columbia and Peninsula Societies will all make a report for your consideration.

Benevolence.

DEACONESS WORK. This represents benevolent work of the highest type and work that has a peculiar mission in these days of complex and multitudinous duties. Our deaconesses have been especially helpful in surveys, in evangelism, in ministrations to the sick. The wisdom of establishing this new or rather revived form of technical Christian service has been abundantly justified. The work has grown in favor and usefulness as well as in strong and efficient organization. The outstanding feature of the year has been the training school. Our own pastors have rallied to the call and their self-sacrificing efforts are much appreciated. A sufficient and satisfactory curriculum has been arranged. This school is intended not simply for the deaconesses. Other devoted women might avail themselves of this special instruction for definite Christian service.

The work must be supported financially. The Board is asking for the continuance of the present assessment. It would help the problem of living expense, if individuals and churches would respond with special donations. \$500 have been paid this year on the mortgage debt of the home. The remainder of the debt will be reduced as rapidly as possible. The greatest need of all is the enlistment of more life recruits for this special department. It is interesting to note at this Conference session three of our deaconesses will be solemnly set apart to the office to which they have been called.

CHURCH HOME is a most beautiful benevolence. Among the first organized impulses of the Apostolic Church was the care of the poor. The Church must constantly minister to those in need and especially to those of the household of faith. This year is the 25th Anniversary of the Home. There are 23 inmates and there can be no more additions to the home until there are more additions to the house. Money is needed for both maintenance and enlargement, but the way does not seem open for a special campaign this year. Last year the Conference assessment was doubled and money also has been used from the Invested Fund to meet current expenses. The institution is not yet upon a safe and permanent financial basis. Some plans of a larger character must soon be formulated, so that the Permanent Fund can be re-imbursed and money be made available for extensions. The Board of Managers, for the present, expects to carry on a campaign of publicity. A very attractive booklet has been published. It is to be hoped interested friends and churches will respond with special gifts and donations. No benevolence is more worthy. Remember the Home at the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons as well as at other seasons and even between the seasons.

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY. Every benevolent interest of the church clamors for recognition in our Conference discussions, but at this time the claim of the superannuate should be heard above every voice and every need. Increases have been made in pastors' salaries, but for the support of the pastor who labored in other days and who largely laid the foundation for the wider activities of this day, no increase has been made. We owe it to the veterans of the Cross as well as to the young men who have caught the vision of Calvary, to provide more than pity and pittance when the rainy day comes. We should at least endeavor to

put a rainbow across the cloud. I think we should more strongly than ever adhere to the pension idea and for battle-scarred soldiers, fresh from the most glorious conflict of all, it ought to be a matter of deep regret, that we have no special bonus to offer. The Superannuated Fund drive of \$100,000 which was graciously set aside last year to give the Million Dollar Campaign the right of way, should have the first claim upon our consideration this year. The special committee continued from last Conference will report concerning definite plans. Of course cases of need will have to be dealt with generously, but if \$100,000 could be added to the Invested Fund, the additional income would be sufficient to give our superannuated ministers \$15 for every year of active service and their widows \$7.50 for every year of their active service, with still something to spare to meet emergencies. And who would say this is putting the standard too high in these days of forward-moving activities?

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION. This organization has for its object the expression of a practical sympathy in hours of life's deepest shadows. All ministers of the Conference and their wives are eligible to membership. The enrollment has been very much increased during the year. Rev. G. A. Ogg, the Secretary-Treasurer, is efficient in his work. It is a privilege to be numbered in this elect circle. Fellowship has a new meaning when the consolations of life meet the desolations of death.

CHILDREN'S HOME. The appeal of the child is universal and insistent. The Children's Home at High Point, N. C. is the only children's home in the denomination. Many of our churches count it a privilege to be counted among the friends of this institution. The child is still in the midst of life's greatest opportunities for service.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES. St. John's Board of Beneficence and Pipe Creek Benevolent Society continue to respond to numerous calls of need. I am sure the gratitude of the whole Conference is extended to these organizations for their constant expressions of interest and helpfulness.

Social Service.

Here is a department of increasing interest and activity for the church. The whole counsel of God must be declared. The Gospel must touch life everywhere. The social unrest of the day is not only a challenge to the church, but a criticism of the church. I think the ministry of the church has been more unsocial than unspiritual. The times are calling with much insistence for a broader application of Christian ideals in every phase of human life. If the church is facing a great crisis, it is also facing a great opportunity for service. Religion must be the universal and compelling motive, the spiritual dynamic to direct and re-enforce the social ethic. It is not sufficient to socialize society nor even to democratize society. As popular as is the idea of democratization, history makes it clear that democracy without Christian idealism is not safe for the world. The church must make the ministry of Christianity big enough to fit and fill the needs of humanity. Every relationship and responsibility of life must be spiritualized—Citizenship, Education, Health, Economics. Christianity in its applications must be brought down to the last minute. In these trying days it would seem strange if the church had nothing to say

concerning the after-war re-adjustments of industry. It may not furnish capital, but it can bear a message to capitalists. It may not join a labor union, but it can unite laborers in a diviner fellowship. The church must magnify and exemplify the principles of justice and love which work for mutual understanding and co-operation. It must seek constantly and unselfishly a real human brotherhood. But there can hardly be industrial peace, if we are not to have international peace—a standardization and stabilization of world conditions. A league, comprising all nations, might mean the amplification of lesser leagues to make all nations wiser and stronger. The moral forces of the whole world must be mobilized and vitalized, so that peace in the wider realm will furnish a basis for peace in the smaller and ever-multiplying units of life. We must minister everywhere or we may not be able to minister anywhere. When the church loses its social leadership, it will inevitably lose in spiritual leadership. Christian theology and Christian sociology must go hand in hand, with their co-ordinating messages and influences, to enthrone the Christ ideal in every world—the inner world, the outer world, the underworld.

Among many social activities I notice a strong protest against race track gambling. This protest must find expression in law. What is too bad for other States ought not to be good enough for Maryland, My Maryland. The work of the Lord's Day Alliance is to be commended. The Sabbath must be a holy day and not a holiday. It must be safeguarded against the encroachments of commercialism and worldliness. If the Sabbath goes, the very foundation of religion goes with it. The church must fight Sabbath-breaking laws and Sabbath-breaking law-makers to the very last ounce of its strength. We must meet dangerous referendums with righteous reformations. The crowning achievement of the year is the victory of temperance. Prophecy has come true. In 1920 the white banner of Prohibition floats over the land in the might and majesty of a new freedom. All honor to the Anti-Saloon League, the W. C. T. U. and all other agencies which have contributed to the coming of the glad and glorious day. But the work is not done. The victory must be strengthened. Respect for law and order must be inculcated. Those who are still opposed to National Prohibition must be convinced of its reasonableness and of its value to society. The church must train and quicken the public conscience, so that in the concurrent jurisdiction of the States, there will be no repeal nor nullification of what is written into the Constitution. In the evolution of righteous forces, things are happening with startling rapidity. The fetters of womanhood are breaking. And may we not indulge the hope that Prohibition is safer, because the 19th Amendment is endeavoring to follow so closely upon the heels of the 18th Amendment. A splendid beginning has been made but the scope of social service must be widened. The mission of the church must be so broad, that every phase of social work can be done specifically in the name of and through the organization of the Church. These are trying, critical days. The Committee on Moral Reform has an opportunity for a great utterance, voicing for the church a word of admonition and authority upon vital questions and problems.

Intensive Development.

METHODIST PROTESTANT. The work of our churches cannot be developed intensively without the church paper. Spiritual efficiency is the result of intelligence and loyalty. The Methodist Protestant, through its weekly visits and well-edited pages, informs the people concerning the church and wise and discriminating information gives an added appreciation to church privileges and obligations. It is plain for those who have eyes to see that the church with the largest number of subscribers is always the church with the largest number of interested workers. Dr. Benson and those associated with him are to be commended for the conduct and contents of the paper. The Methodist Protestant has the forward-moving vision. Its utterances are timely as well as sane and helpful. The paper should have a larger constituency of readers and friends. The goal of the Forward Movement is the Church Paper in 75% of our homes. The goal has not been reached, but rapid and even remarkable strides have been made toward the goal. The present subscription list is about 7500. It would be a happy and worthy achievement if a goal of 10,000 could be reached in time for the centennial celebration in 1921. The list would grow faster and stronger, if charges would stress addition and multiplication more than subtraction and division. It is only net gains which count in progress toward a goal. Secure new subscribers, but do not forget old subscribers. What about putting the church paper in the church budget? Methodist Protestant Day, a permanent day in our calendar of Special Days, should be made a day of extraordinary interest. The forceful and resourceful editor will have interesting plans and suggestions for next year. I ask for him the fullest co-operation. In this connection I want to say what I have said twice before the time has come when we ought to have our own printing plant. The increased circulation of the church paper and the increased demands for church printing should be sufficient arguments. A project like this, together with larger equipment for the Book Concern, would set a new standard for our Forward Movement activities. It would boost our publishing interests in the East, and I believe it would pay even financially.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ACTIVITIES. Efficiency must be developed in Young People's work, for young people are not only the life of the present church but the hope of the future church. Recent Sunday-School and Christian Endeavor statistics, from the standpoint of the whole church and the whole country, are not so flattering, still I think we are holding our own, but in spiritual militancy, we ought not to sing, "Hold the Fort," when we can sing "Onward Christian Soldiers." The best ideals and most progressive methods should find workable and working adjustment in our Sunday-schools and Christian Endeavor Societies. Dr. Straughn, President of the Young People's Union, and his co-workers, are on the alert with vision and with programs. Every department is under strong leadership. The work of religious education is being stressed and the aim of every endeavor is increased efficiency. I want to commend the institute here. This is in harmony with the advanced methods of all progressive churches. An interesting and profitable institute was held last summer. I hope the idea will be developed constructively and permanently. And while in-

stitutes are being held in the summer season, it has occurred to me that rallies even for one day might be planned for the various districts at other seasons of the year. All cannot attend institutes and special gatherings at stated periods and in stated sections would do much to enthuse the people and to keep them in touch with the latest thought and method. It would add much to the intensification of the work if some distinctive literature could be published. The Union is supporting Rev. Chas. Heininger, missionary to China. A full report of all activities will be made. We shall be glad to greet Dr. Dixon, Secretary of the Board of Young People's Work and hear concerning the larger plans for the whole Church.

COUNTRY CHURCH. About one-half of our charges are in the country. There is need for intensive development in rural churches. Many of these churches have no sufficient program of public worship, evangelism, religious education, community service, &c. The one-room country church is inadequate to meet the needs of the new day. We do not want short circuits, but small circuits would be conducive to efficiency, rather than large circuits where there is little opportunity for concentration and continuity of effort. The whole situation should be studied carefully by those who love country life. Some interesting rural surveys are being made by the Inter-Church Movement. This is one of the vital problems of the day. If country life is to save and safeguard city life, we must go back to the sources of our national strength with sane ideals and adequate programs. A vital need for the present, as I see it, is rural church specialists. I recommend that a Rural Church Commission be appointed, who shall study the situation from every angle and report in 1921. I am confident many helpful plans and suggestions can be formulated and the moral force of the emphasis will enable many rural churches to work out their ecclesiastical salvation.

LOCAL ORGANIZATION. The need is not so much for multiplication as for simplification of organization. Organization must be modern and efficient. The church cannot lead in these intensive and strenuous days with antiquated methods. The church must know how to get results. Organization is power only when trained people are put back of definite opportunities. There are some phases of organization which seem to me ought to be in every well-informed and well-regulated church. I recommend that the survey be included in every local church program and also the group plan, that is, the division of the church into groups of from 5 to 10 families each group having a leader and the leaders constituting the pastor's cabinet. I also recommend the selection of standing committees, representing Spiritual Resources, Life Service, Missionary Education, Stewardship, Publicity, &c. An organization like this ought to reach the whole church and give a task to every individual. The plan is susceptible of endless application and development. It puts into the hands of a wise and wide-awake pastor a constructive program departmentalized for the promotion of efficiency.

Finance.

This is the best year financially in the history of the Conference. Of course the chief objective has been the Million Dollar Campaign, but larger vision has also prevailed in local expenditures.

PASTORAL SUPPORT. There has been considerable increase in pastors' salaries. Nothing like it has ever occurred before, but then the necessity for increase has never been so urgent. The increase in 1918 was \$9391; in 1919, \$14,206; for the current year, \$16,628, according to cards returned to the President. But after all this is only an apparent and not a real increase. The cost of living has advanced to such an extent in recent years, that the dollar has been cut in half and the preacher's dollar, too. Some charges are yet living on the generosity and self-sacrifice of the minister. They have the ability to pay more, but they do not have the amiability. No charge should permit its pastor to get behind financially, when he gets behind of every activity and pushes the church on to success. The increased contributions of our churches should mean increased compensation for our preachers. Recently I sent a letter to every Quarterly Conference concerning pastoral support. 98 pastors report an increase of \$20,700 for next year. 41 Charges have reached the minimum salary limit during the year, but there are yet 33 charges below the limit. Now is the time for every charge to advance. It is always easier to do what seems a little hard when you feel the elbow touch of the other fellow. The pastor's salary must be lifted from the bottom of a comparative wage chart and put toward the top of the list in a self-sufficient and self-respecting place. No delegate need feel a delicacy in taking home this particular item of the President's report.

DEBT AND IMPROVEMENTS. Many charges have been busy reducing and liquidating debts. The outstanding feature of the year has been the payment of a debt of \$5400 on St. Paul's Church, Baltimore. According to cards returned to President, \$22,751 have been raised on debt by 33 different charges. The following charges have paid \$500 or more on debt. Eutaw, Payson Street, Starr, St. Paul's, Cambridge, Dover, New Church, Reliance, Sharptown, St. Michaels, R. I. Ave., Wilton Heights.

91 Charges have been engaged in some kind of church or parsonage improvements. These improvements will total about \$39,759. The following charges have expended \$500 or more in improvements: Alnutt, Brooklyn, Calvary, Christ Church, Eutaw, South Balto., Starr, West Balto., Bedford, Bivalve, Chestertown, Conquest, Crisfield, Fawn Grove, Federalsburg, Finksburg, First Church, Newark, Georgetown, Del., Harmony, Howard, Linthicum Heights, Marley, Milton, New Church, New Market, Parkesley, Taylor Memor., Emmanuel, Pocomoke City, Quantico, First Church, Wash., Mt. Tabor, N. C. Ave., R. I. Ave., Hampden, Clayton.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES. The following churches have been dedicated during the year—N. C. Ave., Wattsville, St. Paul's. The following charges have bought or built parsonages—Lawsonia, Wilmington, South Balto. Salisbury has bought a lot for a new church at a cost of \$17,500. New work has been started at Skinner's Neck on Wesley Chapel of Kent. A lot for a new church will be bought at once. A new church has been started at Atlantic on New Church charge to cost about \$30,000 when completed. The foundation has been laid for extensions and improvements at Hallwood on Conquest. Work will begin immediately after Conference. A fine lot has been bought in West Philadelphia for Emmanuel Church. Building operations will begin in the early summer and not counting money from other sources, the pastor expects to raise among his own people

\$10,000 by July 1. Lowe Memorial has raised \$4500, paying for the lot on which the church stands. And time would fail me to tell what all the churches have done and are planning to do in special activities. According to the President's reply post cards next year will be a busy year, such as we have never had before, in the building of new churches, in the character of extensive improvements, in the liquidation of debts, &c. Many of these activities are deferred programs, but all give abundant proof of the intent and extent of a real local Forward Movement.

PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. The latest improvement here is the installation of electricity. All bills are paid and the genial and painstaking agent, Mr. H. K. Muller, will report a surplus. The Parsonage Guild has taken care of the interior. I want to commend the devotion of our women, who amid many home and church duties have not forgotten the claims of the President's Parsonage. I have recommended to the ladies a re-organization of the Guild, with the president of every Ladies' Aid Society as members ex-officio. This will mean a larger measure of co-operation and I am sure every society will be glad to give at least one dollar as requested.

FINANCIAL METHODS. The clarion call of a larger vision has not been simply more money, but better methods. A few years ago churches met financial problems with lax methods and sometimes with lack of method. It was hard to budge some churches to adopt a budget. It was not an infrequent thing for stewards to be more concerned for their election than for the collection, but the emphasis upon modern methods has been worth while. Now most of the charges have the budget in whole or in part. Weekly envelopes are extensively used. The Every Member Canvass is being included in the financial system. But the time has come when the gifts of our churches must be put not simply upon a business basis, but upon the Scriptural basis. We must be more concerned for the money obligations for the Kingdom. Religion should not be the cheapest thing in the world. We must learn to give and to give in harmony with the ideal of Him who poured out life's most precious treasure on the Cross. We have heard much lately about stewardship. We must hear more about it. If the principles of Christian Stewardship were generally recognized, there would be no need for special financial drives, but sufficient money would be put upon the altar of the church for bigger programs than faith and courage have yet attempted to formulate. The sanctification of our possessions would mean more for the coming of the new Kingdom than all other decisions and dedications combined. It would deepen spiritual consciousness and grip the vision of the church with a responsibility for the redemption of the world from which there could be no escape. I recommend that there be a Stewardship Educational Program in every church, consisting of Literature, Reading Courses, Stereopticon Lectures, Lessons in the Sunday-School, Special Sermons, &c. I recommend that every church have a Stewardship Enrollment, not simply for one service, but for a continuous appeal and emphasis. Our people must be trained in the doctrine and practice of Christian Stewardship. It cannot be done in a day nor in a year, but if it is done with growing convictions and growing success, we can afford to wait for the consummation of completed ideals.

And while churches are thinking more carefully upon the method and spirit of their giving, it would be well for the Conference to think specifically upon its own distinctive financial operations. A committee was appointed last year to study the table of assessments and to recommend, if possible, an equitable basis to apply uniformly to every charge and also to present a more modern, businesslike scheme of finance. I trust careful consideration will be given to the report of the Committee. And with the development of the budget idea, may we not begin to plan for broader ideas. We must meet the larger vision with larger opportunities of benevolence. It is one thing to adopt a budget. It is another thing to adapt the budget to growing needs. Conference Assessments will never be fully appreciated until they are looked upon as Conference assets.

Evangelism.

It would seem strange if there were a Forward Movement in other departments and no Forward Movement in the department which represents the very heart and strength of the whole church. We are called upon by the Word of God first, last and all the time to evangelize, to make disciples. It is the Church with the evangel that succeeds from every angle. And not only the Word, but the world through unsatisfied needs is calling to the church to magnify spiritual ministries. The reconstruction efforts of men are not reaching the sources of the present discontent and distress. We cannot have the new world in economic and social life until we have the new world in the personal life of individual believers. The vital need in these new times is an old-time revival of religion and the church should be strong enough spiritually to awaken the sense of sin and to rejoice with converts even around its very altars.

Have we always put the emphasis in the right place? We have gone "Over the top" in financial programs. Are we going "Over the top" in spiritual programs? Too often we are busy getting methods and committees functioning, when we ought to be seeking the supreme Unction. Too often we begin at the circumference, when we ought to begin at the center of things. Our confidence, first of all, must be in God. I think the church must come back to the days when they prayed more and talked less; back to the days when it was personal work rather than organization work; back to the days when they did not have even so much as a Forward Movement Commission, unless it was the great Commission of the Forward Moving Christ, who said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Jesus came to seek and save that which is lost and if we fail to show lost people the way to God, we have failed at the most vital point of our ministry. The church must set itself whole-heartedly to the task of soul-winning and magnify the Scriptural ideal—Every member a soul-winner. We are not to do away with plans. Dynamics without mechanics would mean fanatics just as mechanics without dynamics would mean formalists. There never has been a time when so many plans have been suggested even for the conduct of evangelism, but our plans are only well-thought out, when they are thought out on our knees. Revivals are not worked up, but prayed down. A spiritual quickening comes not through illuminating posters, but through illum-

inated pastors. We reach quotas of new members not by starting a movement, but by having the movement start the church toward increased consecration. Spiritual success and power can only come from God. If we have the soul-winning spirit, we will not be lacking in soul-winning results. Out of 139 cards returned to me, pastors report 3285 conversions and 3034 accessions. This, of course, does not include the Easter Ingathering. If there has been any degree of concerted co-operation, the Easter Evangelism should mean, at least, 1000 new members to our churches. Pastors' reports to Conference will give completed results. Many of our charges have reached and even gone beyond the quota of the Increase Campaign, but sufficient is known already that the Conference as a whole has not come up to the spiritual goal, and is only slightly above the figures of normal years. No church should be the weakest where it ought to be the strongest. We can hardly rejoice in the efficiencies of numerous activities, when there is deficiency in the most vital activity of all. If the church is not reaching and converting the unsaved, in large numbers, we ought to know the reason why. I hope in some way this Conference will put a new emphasis upon evangelism. It would make the vision clearer and nearer, if in our Conference discussions, there could be more of the enduement of the Spirit and between our sessions, there could be more intercession and in the fellowship of every moment, there could be felt more of the throbbing heart of Calvary. An annointed church can never be a disappointed church. Evangelism will bear abundant fruit when the evangel is proclaimed out of the living experience of the evangelist.

Forward Movement Commission.

A definite report will be made concerning the Million Dollar and Increase Campaigns. In the first campaign our Conference subscribed \$264,779. In the second campaign we asked for 6000 souls for this year and a 25% net increase in church membership during the quadrennium. The Forward Movement Commission will report in detail concerning the amount of money paid to date as well as the progress made in ingathering. The report will also include definite recommendations and these recommendations I hope the Conference will accept even without mild reservations. You may say the vision of the Commission is very high, but I would rather have you say that than to say the vision is not high enough. We must still go forward with the work of the church. If we had no program to offer for the coming year, Backward Movement Commission would be a better name and a grave rather than a goal would be the ultimate objective. We are counting on our Forward-Moving ministers and laymen to push our activities toward still higher ideals and into wider fields of success.

Inter-Church World Movement.

This Movement is a combination of "Forward Movements." And while there is no official sanction, in so far as the Annual or General Conference is concerned, I am mentioning it to indicate the environment and atmosphere under which religious work is to be done. Already we are

co-operating in many of its phases. We cannot close our eyes to a movement, so lofty in spiritual ideals and so comprehensive in the scope of service. The very magnitude of the undertaking compels attention. It is here and must be reckoned with. The providence of God may be in it. The different denominations, instead of pulling against one another, should pull together. These are days when selfishness and sectarianism should be forgotten. The Kingdom is bigger than any denomination. If Protestantism could face its task unitedly and aggressively, the world could soon be taken for Christ. Through scientific surveys and inspiring fellowship and intensive organization and tremendous emphasis upon common responsibilities, the Inter-Church Movement is leading the way in the direction of unity of purpose and endeavor. The Methodist Protestant Church, in common with all progressive churches, must be responsive to the best ideals and make its contribution of service in ways which will count most for the Kingdom. A representative of the Inter-Church Movement will address our Conference and thoughtful consideration can be given to the relation and correlation of religious forces and opportunities.

Conclusion.

And so the activities of the year have been crowned with much success. It is not the success of any one person or of any one group of persons. It is the success of all who have worked and given and prayed that these things might be brought to pass for the Master's glory. To God we give the praise, under whose leadership we have gone forward in every good work. It has been a full year for the President. As the work grows, official responsibilities multiply. Counting the places visited during the Million Dollar and Increase Campaigns, every charge in the Conference has been included in the itinerary of the year, but owing to unavoidable circumstances, I did not get to two or three churches. I have missed one Sunday in three years and that on account of sickness, but Rev. W. H. Litsinger kindly responded to the emergency call and so there has been no interruption in official visitations. I appreciate the co-operation of my brethren, so willingly and loyally given on every occasion. For all the courtesies of the year I am profoundly thankful and to our Heavenly Father my heart is overflowing with gratitude for the providence which seems to have been over every day and every duty.

Praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our Conference sessions and asking for wisdom, strength and grace to meet the larger problems and opportunities of the Kingdom, I am

Yours in the Master's service,

L. F. WARNER.

Of the Committee on the President's Report.

(See Journal, page 40.)

The President has given us a splendid report of the greatest year in the history of the Maryland Annual Conference. We are profoundly thankful to Almighty God for the blessings upon the charges, pastors, and the people. May the things that have been accomplished but spur us on to greater achievements. While we rejoice that God has been pleased to work through us to will and to do His great pleasure during the past twelve months; we sorrow that four of our beloved brethren have been called from us during the year. But we do not sorrow as those who have no hope for God has taken them to Himself.

It is with no small degree of pleasure we hear of the continued success of Western Maryland College and the Westminster Theological Seminary. We hope that many young men who are called of God to preach His Gospel will enter these institutions this coming year. We feel that the President has very properly emphasized the life enlistment idea and trust that this year it may be brought before all the churches with a special view to the calling of consecrated young men for the ministry.

We concur in the recommendation that an appropriation up to three hundred dollars be made available to meet the expense of the program of the Summer Conference; and trust that the time is not far distant when every one who possibly can, will avail himself of the privilege of attending the Conference.

We are so glad that the time has at last arrived when missions are taken seriously by our people. The Women's Foreign Missionary Society has had the best year in its history; there has also been a quickening in every branch of the home and foreign work.

The Church Extension phase of missionary work in our Conference this year has been very gratifying. We rejoice in the many church enterprises started by the Superintendent, Dr. Sheridan, and especially his work in Wilmington, Delaware.

The Deaconess work has become so established and the good accomplished by these consecrated young women so pronounced that we wish once again to thank the Dear Lord for this branch of our church activities. We feel that the suggestion that churches and individuals make special donations to this work is very timely.

The President's suggestion that the Superannuated Fund should have first claim upon our consideration we believe to be the right thing and we hope with him that at least One Hundred Thousand Dollars will soon be added to the fund.

The Methodist Protestant through its weekly visits and well-edited pages informs the people of their church privilege and obligations. Dr. Benson is making the paper an ever-increasing help to the Pastor.

We most heartily indorse the recommendation that a rural church commission be appointed to study the country church from every angle and report their findings in 1921, also that a survey be included in every local church program and the group plan, and that the selection of standing committees representing spiritual resources, life service, missionary education, stewardship and publicity.

It is very gratifying to note the increase in pastors' salary and trust that with an adequate support the pastor will be better able to do the great work to which God has called him.

We are intensely interested in all progressive movements for the quickening of the spiritual life of God's people, and the bringing in of Christ's Kingdom on earth. We are in accord with the President in the desire that our church shall go forward and not backward, and the Inter-Church World Movement can point the way, we bid it God's speed.

In passing on this the last report of our retiring President, we feel that we are expressing not only the sentiments of your committee but the entire Conference when we say that he has filled the office with marked and unusual ability; and now returns to the pastorate with the esteem and confidence of all his brethren.

W. A. MELVIN,
G. E. BROWN,
F. M. WILSON.

Of the Agent of The President's Parsonage.

(See Journal, page 47.)

I desire to report that I have had the President's Parsonage wired and electric fixtures put in at a cost of \$357.00. This has been done with the consent and approval of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Yours respectfully,

HARRY K. MULLER, Agent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1919.

April 9, To Balance in Bank\$ 90.38

Receipts.

April 23, Rec'd from Rev. L. Warner, bal. from 1918..\$ 61.80

Rebate on Water Bill (July 9, 1919)50

1920.

Mch. 17, Rec'd from Rev. L. Warner, Conf. Pars. Ass't. 350.00 412.30

\$502.68

Disbursements.

1919.

Apr. 21, Paid J. E. Norris, sash cords\$ 3.00

May 13, J. E. Norris, repairs 6.60

May 29, Con. Gas & Elec. Co., gas fixtures 4.00

June 9, Wm. C. Page, collector, paving 1918 4.47

July 9, Wm. H. Mitchell, toilet water tank, etc. 18.00

July 9, Daniel Loden, collector, renewed water pipes... 23.76

July 9, Rev. L. Warner, bill for cleaning steps 3.75

Aug. 15, Thomas Gwilliam, painting front and floors.. 44.00

Oct. 5, Thomas Gwilliam, painting roof 18.00

1920.

Feb. 17, Daniel Loden, collector, water for 1920..... 11.50

Mar. 15, Wm. C. Page, collector, paving tax 1919.... 4.13

Mar. 15, Wm. C. Page, collector, paving tax 1920.... 4.37

Mar. 31, G. S. Thornton, electric wiring & fixtures.... 357.00 502.58

Balance \$.10

HARRY K. MULLER, Agent.

Examined and found correct.

G. A. OGG,

A. W. EWELL,

W. W. SMITH.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Accomac, Va....	W. C. Mumford	1	Clayton, Del.	E. C. Graham	5
Alexandria, Va.	G. J. Hill	2	Concord, Pa.,		
Amelia, Va.	C. M. Jenkins	1	A. Scarborough (Supply)		1
BALTIMORE:			Conquest, Va..	M. E. Hungerford	1
Alnutt Memorial.	Louis Randall	2	CRISFIELD:		
Bethany	L. A. Bennett	1	Crisfield	C. M. Elderdice	4
Broadway &..	K. K. Haddaway	2	Lawsonia	C. R. Dutton	1
Lauraville	J. P. Adams, Asst.	1	Mariners	C. M. Adams	4
Brooklyn	S. W. Coe	7	Crumpton	To be supplied	
Calvary	H. S. Johnson	8	CUMBERLAND:		
Chesaco Park,			First Church..	H. L. Schlincke	1
H. A. Kester (Supply)		2	Mapleside & Fairview,		
Christ Church.	E. L. Beauchamp	4	F. W. Siffrin		1
East Balto.	G. A. Ogg	4	Melvin Chapel....	F. M. Volk	1
Eutaw	E. A. Sexsmith	4	Deer Creek.	W. A. Sites (Supply)	3
Evergreen	F. T. Little	2	Deer Park	J. N. Link	1
Hampden	E. D. Stone	8	Delmar, Del.	E. H. Jones	3
Keen Memorial...	A. S. Beane	13	Delta, Pa.	A. W. Ewell	2
Lowe Memorial.	W. A. Melvin	5	Denton	J. A. Dudley	1
North Balto...	W. H. Litsinger	6	Dorchester	D. W. Anstine	3
Payson Street...	E. L. Ballard	3	Dover & Leipsic...	P. W. Crosby	3
South Balto. ...	W. F. Wright	4	Easton	E. T. Read	1
Starr	G. W. Haddaway	19	Elizabeth, N. J..	J. W. Balderston	1
St. Johns.....	L. F. Warner	1	Fairfax, Va.,		
St. Pauls.....	F. D. Reynolds	3	B. F. Crowson (Supply)		1
Trinity	R. W. White	2	Fawn Grove, Pa..	Frank Holland	1
Violetville	W. B. Judefind	4	Federalsburg	J. L. Nichols	2
Waverly,			Felton, Del.,	H. F. Butler (Supply)	1
M. A. Titchenell (Supply)		1	Finksburg	N. C. Clough	4
West Balto.....	J. M. Gill	5	1st Church, Newark, N. J.,		
Wilton Heights.	G. M. Clayton	4	E. C. Makosky		8
Balto. Circuit.....	S. F. Cassen	8	Franklin City, Va..	R. W. Sutcliffe	1
Bedford, Pa.	B. A. Bryan	2	Frederick	J. W. Parris	2
Belair	C. P. Nowlin	2	Georgetown, Del....	J. T. Bailey	3
Bivalve	L. E. Haddaway	1	Greenbush & Tasley, Va.,		
Buckeystown	J. W. Kirk	2	G. E. Leister		2
Cambridge	R. Y. Nicholson	2	Greensboro	To be supplied	
Cambridge Ct....	To be supplied		Greenwood, Del.,		
Campbell, Va.....	To be supplied		H. W. D. Johnson		5
Cannon, Del....	J. W. Townsend	2	Grove	S. C. Wood	1
Caroline...A. W. Betts (Supply)		1	Harbeson, Del...	C. S. Larrimore	1
Cecil	G. E. Turner	1	Harmony, W. Va.....	G. S. Ross	1
Centreville	G. Q. Bacchus	3	Harper's Ferry, W. Va.,		
Chestertown	N. O. Gibson	1	E. W. Simms		1
Chincoteague, Va.,			Harrington, Del.....	C. C. Day	4
H. H. Carroll (Supply)		1	Howard	Carroll Maddox	2

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Hurlock	J. L. Green	2	Salisbury	R. L. Shipley	2
Indian River	To be supplied		Seaford, Del.	B. F. Ruley	3
Kempton	A. H. Green	4	Selbyville, Del....	To be supplied	
Kennedyville	J. F. Wooden	2	Sharptown	G. R. Donaldson	1
Kent Island.....	W. S. Hanks	4	Snow Hill.....	C. R. Strausburg	2
Laurel, Del.....	W. L. Hoffman	2	Stewartstown, Pa.,		
Laurel Circuit.....	J. P. George	1		G. H. Stocksdales	1
Leeds	V. A. Miller	1	St. James	Avery Donovan	3
Lewes, Del.....	To be supplied		St. Michaels...G. E. McDorman	1	
Lewistown	To be supplied		Susquehanna	J. McL. Brown	2
Liberty	W. F. Bauscher	3	Talbot	To be supplied	
Linthicum Heights,			Texas	W. S. Simms (Supply)	1
	B. W. Kindley	1	Trinity	George Hines	1
Lisbon	F. S. Cain	2	Tyreanna, Va. ...	To be supplied	
Lynchburg, Va.....	J. L. Ward	1	Union	J. A. Wright	3
Mardela	I. S. Owens	4	Union Bridge...K. H. Wareheim	2	
Marley.T. C. Mulligan (Supply)	2		Wallace Memor..F. K. McCorkle	3	
Middleway, W. Va.,			Warwick	C. M. Cullum	1
	To be supplied		WASHINGTON, D. C.:		
Milford, Del.	C. E. Dryden	4	Cherrydale	W. M. Snyder	2
Milton, Del.	T. O. Crouse	1	First Church...C. M. Compheer	5	
Mt. Nebo	P. M. R. Schauer	2	Georgetown	G. E. Brown	5
New Church, Va.....	T. C. Jones	2	Mt. Tabor	E. T. Kirkley	2
Newmarket	C. N. Alexander	3	N. Carolina Ave...J. F. Bryan	4	
Nichols Memorial			R. I. Ave....G. I. Humphreys	5	
& Glenburnie.....	J. H. Lynch	1	Wesley Chapel of Kent,		
Northumberland, Va.,				A. F. T. Raum	3
	F. J. Phillips	3	Westminster	E. H. VanDyke	1
Oak Grove & Prince George,			Wilmington, Del.,		
	Ziba Adams	2		W. H. Hodges (Supply)	1
Oxford	J. L. Elderdice	3	West Wilmington, Del.,		
Parksley, Va.	H. B. Jester	3		B. F. Jester (Supply)	1
Patapsco	To be supplied		New Work, Wilmington, Del.,		
PHILADELPHIA:				L. B. Smith	1
St. Lukes	J. W. Trout	17	Whaleyville	C. P. Butler	2
Taylor Memorial..	H. O. Keen	2	Wye	L. W. Gordon	3
Emmanuel	W. P. Roberts	2			
Pipe Creek	C. H. Dobson	1			
Pittsville	G. J. Hooker	2			
Pocomoke City.....	E. L. Bunce	1			
Pocomoke Circuit,					
	E. L. K. Tune (Supply)	1			
Potomac	C. K. McCaslin	5			
Powellville	H. L. Murphy	1			
Quantico..H. J. Mason (Supply)	1				
Queen Anne	J. R. McKeawn	1			
Reliance	F. M. Clift	2			
Rowlandville..L. E. Bee (Supply)	1				
Salem	J. W. Baxley	2			

Special Appointments.

Pres. W. M. C.....	T. H. Lewis	35
Prof. W. M. C....	E. A. Warfield	14
Pres. W. T. Sem..	H. L. Elderdice	24
Editor Meth. Prot..	F. T. Benson	4
Sec.-Treas.Bd.For.Mis.F. C. Klein	12	
Supt. Church Ext..	J. M. Sheridan	3

Loaned.

Kans. City Univ.....	A. N. Ward	2
W. H. M. Soc....	T. R. Woodford	2
Chapl. U. S. Army..	J. R. Wright	3

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Superannuates.			G. F. Farring		3
J. W. Gray		9	C. E. McCullough		3
A. W. Mather		6	W. N. Sherwood		2
J. W. Norris		6	Left Without Appointment At Own		
W. D. Litsinger		17	Request.		
J. L. Mills		6	P. L. Rice		2
W. M. Strayer		15	W. P. Jump		1
J. M. Holmes		4	Dorsey Blake		1
F. H. Mullineaux		4	Supernumerary.		
F. T. Tagg		4	G. A. Morris		1
G. J. Sullivan		21			

Report B

THE SECRETARY.

(Journal, page 24.)

The Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Brethren:

As committee on credentials I report that all charges are represented in the roll of delegates except Chesaco Park, Campbell, Felton, Greensboro, Grove, Indian River, Lewes, Lewistown, Marley, Middleway, Pocomoke Circuit, St. James, and Talbot.

As committee on publication of minutes I wish to call particular attention to the increased deficit in the Conference treasury. Last year I borrowed \$750., made necessary principally by printing the Historical Record and the Manual, the expenses of the Forward Movement commission, the Summer Conference, etc., hoping to be able to reduce the sum out of the receipts of the past year. Instead it is increased by \$107.60, an amount due the Book Concern for Bibles and credentials for the large ordination class of last year. This plus the continued increase in the cost of publication of the minutes makes unlikely any reduction of the indebtedness out of present resources. I recommend that the Conference take some action whereby this arrearage may be provided for.

We have on hand several hundred copies of the Historical Record and quite a number of copies of the Manual. It seems useless to hold these books any longer at their original price. I therefore ask permission to dispose of them at ten cents a copy.

The financial statement follows:

Financial Statement.

Receipts.

From C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer, assessment of last year	\$932.00
Balance on hand	18.94
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Total receipts	\$950.94

Expenditures.

J. W. Stowell, printing and distributing 2200 copies of the Minutes	\$360.87	
Forward Movement Commission, expense	1.34	
Miss Perkins, Conference stenographer	14.00	
Express on trunk	2.53	
June 17, J. A. Dudley, Steward, Compensation	25.00	
July 8, C. P. Nowlin, Treas., compensation	50.00	
July 8, C. P. Nowlin, Treas., expense	14.39	
July 8, C. P. Nowlin, Treas., interest on \$750	26.46	
July 14, E. A. Sexsmith, Treas. Summer Conference..	300.00	
July 18, L. F. Warner, Pres. Ex. Comp. exp.	16.53	
Oct. 25, J. H. Straughn, Secretary, compensation.....	50.00	
Oct. 25, J. H. Straughn, Conf. incidental expenses.....	9.85	
Oct. 25, J. M. Sheridan, exp. Superin. entertain	5.75	
1920.		
Feb. 23, J. W. Stowell, printing reports	32.25	
Feb. 23, J. A. Prettyman, printing	2.00	
April 6, J. H. Straughn, postage, supplies and Program Committee expense	13.40	
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Total expenditure	\$924.37	\$924.37
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Balance in hand		\$ 26.57

Indebtedness.

Note reported last year	\$750.00	
Meth. Prot. Bk. Concern, 15 Bibles, Elder's credentials, etc., less sale of minutes and manuals	107.60	
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Total indebtedness	\$857.60	\$857.60

Submitted,

JAMES H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

Report C**THE TREASURER.**

(See Journal, page 50.)

President's Salary.

1920.

April 7, Amount from District	\$4188.00	
April 12, To Vouchers from and Cash to Rev. L. F. ner, President		\$4188.00

Conference Expense.

April 7, Amount from District	\$ 969.00	
April 12, To G. I. Humphreys, Secretary		\$ 969.00

Seminary.

April 7, Amount from District	\$1868.00	
April 12, To H. L. Elderdice, President		\$1868.00

W. M. College.

April 7, Amount from District	\$1691.00	
April 12, To T. H. Lewis, President		\$1691.00

Church Home.

April 7, Amount from District	\$4662.00	
April 12, To James Pearre Wantz, Treasurer		\$4662.00

Deaconess.

April 7, Amount from District	\$2389.00	
April 12, To H. K. Muller, Treasurer		\$2389.00

General Interests.

April 7, Amount from District:		
Ministerial Education	\$ 877.00	
HomeHome Missions	2396.00	
Foreign Missions	2777.00	
Young People's Work	497.00	
Children's Day	7220.00	
Special Foreign Missions	2321.00	
Special Home Missions	2103.00	\$18191.00
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To Miscellaneous Items		\$202666.00
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		\$220857.00

April 7, To Vouchers from C. H. Beck, Treas., and others	\$202780.85
April 12, To Checks to C. H. Beck, Treasurer....	18076.15
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	\$220857.00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

April 7, To Amount reported to Conference	\$1308.00
April 7, Accounted Vouchers	\$1308.00

Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

April 7, Amount reported to Conference	\$4669.00
April 12, Accounted Vouchers	\$4669.00

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. NOWLIN, Conf. Treas.

CHURCH EXTENSION ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

1919.

May 1, To Balance\$1832.96

1920.

April 10, To Amount from District 5992.00

April 10, To Annual Dues 106.00 \$7930.96

Disbursements.

May 1, 1919 to Apr. 1, 1920:

By Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe's Claim\$ 240.00

By Balto. Ch. Ex. Soc.—Chesaco Park, \$100; Waverly, \$200; Bethany, \$200; Cannon, \$50; Centreville, \$150; Cherrydale, \$100; Conf. Ch. Ex. Soc.—Sup't Salary, \$1000; Purchase of Lot, \$500; Conquest, \$100; Crumpton, \$50; Deer Creek, \$100; Dover, \$200; Evergreen, \$350; 1st Church, Wash., D. C., \$125; Georgetown, Del., \$50; Greenbush and Tasley, \$100; Harmony, \$100; Harmony, W. Va., \$100; Kent Island, \$50; Lawsonia, \$200; Mapleside and Fairview, \$100; Payson St., \$200; Quantico, \$105; Selbyville, \$200; St. Michaels, \$100; Sharptown, \$125; Trinity, \$300; Violetville, \$100; Wilton Heights, \$100; Lewes, Del., on debt \$50, on salary \$200 5405 00

By Balance 2285.96 \$7930.96

To Balance, \$2285.96.

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Receipts.

1919.

May 1-April 12, 1920, To Sundry Contributions to

Deficit of 1919\$ 690.00

July 23, To Check from T. A. Murray, Treas. 1600.00

Oct. 23, To Check from T. A. Murray, Treas. 1900.00

1920.

Jan. 17, To White gift from Union Bridge 5.00

Feb. 6, To Check from T. A. Murray, Treas. 1500.00

Apr. 7, To Check from T. A. Murray, Treas. 1965.45

Apr. 7, To Check from Rev. L. B. Smith 50.00

Apr. 12, To Amount from District 5724.50

Apr. 12, To Annual Dues for Invested Fund 115.50

Apr. 12, To Balance 178.60 \$13739.05

Disbursements.

1919.

May 1, By Deficit\$ 758.55

July 23, By First Distribution 1544.00

Oct. 23, By Second Distribution 1819.00

1920.

Feb. 6, By Third Distribution 1426.00

Apr. 12, By Check to Rev. A. W. Mather, Cor. Sec... 2.50

Apr. 12, By Check to T. A. Murray, Treas., In. Fund 115.50

Apr. 12, By Fourth Distribution 8073.50 \$13739.05

By Deficit, \$178.60.

Final Report of General Conference Expense Account, Years of 1916-1920.

To Cash from District\$1920.04

By Expense of Delegates and Interest 1897.61

Balance\$ 22.43

The following Charges did not meet their assessments: Chesaco Park, \$2; Campbell, \$6; Concord, \$7; Felton, \$6; Greensboro, \$6; Grove, \$6; Harbeson, \$6; Tyreanna, \$3; Marley, \$6; Middleway, \$6; Northumberland, \$10; West Wilmington, \$6; Williamsport, \$6—Total \$76.

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. NOWLIN, Conf. Treas.

Report D

TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

(Journal, Page 34.)

The Trustees of The Maryland Annual Conference respectfully submit their report for the year ending April 1, 1920.

First: The board as now constituted is as follows—F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Roberts, F. K. Herr, whose terms expire 1922; A. W. Mather, E. C. Makosky, T. W. Donoho, C. A. Benjamin, whose terms expire in 1921; J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts, T. A. Murray, whose terms expire in 1920, and whose successors are to be elected at this session of the Conference.

Second: The income from the Mrs. A. S. Eversole legacy has been properly used for Church Extension purposes in accordance with the terms of the bequest.

Third: We submit herewith the annual report of the Treasurer of the Board showing the receipts and expenditures of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate, and now subject to disposition by the Board of Trustees under the will of Dr. Drinkhouse in accordance with the terms created by the said will.

Fourth: We report that the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Board have been duly examined and audited by the committee of audit provided for in the by-laws of our charter.

F. T. LITTLE, President.

ROWLAND WATTS, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report for Year, April, 1919-1920.

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference.

GENERAL FUND.

To balance per last report		\$ 451.80
To Legacy Tax refund	\$ 44.00	
To Commissions on Income collected	86.70	
To Interest on deposits	13.99	\$ 144.69
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		\$ 596.49

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By Expenses of management (including traveling expenses of members in attending meetings) etc..	\$ 78.32	
By Balance on deposit to credit of Trustees	518.17	\$ 596.49
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DRINKHOUSE TRUST ESTATE.

To Balance per last report		\$ 82.00
To Income from investments	\$1260.00	
To Interest on deposits	8.40	\$1268.40
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		\$1350.40

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By appropriations of Income made by Trustees and paid as follows:

Baltimore Book Directory (for use of The Methodist Protestant)	\$ 784.40	
Maryland Educational Endowment Society (for Ministerial Education)	500.00	
Subscriptions to The Methodist Protestant (in accordance with provisions of the Will of Dr. Drinkhouse)	3.00	
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	\$1287.40	
By Commissions on Income credited to General Fund and included above	63.00	\$1350.40
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Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct as per above Report, and the Securities belonging to the several Trust Funds deposited in the Safe Deposit Box of the Trustees of the Conference.

T. W. DONOHO,
ROWLAND WATTS,
Auditing Committee.

Report E

OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE.

(Journal, page 50.)

After careful consideration, the Board of Finance begs leave to report that we have distributed the assessments levied by this Conference on the percentage basis as agreed upon by the Conference.

The increase in the total amount appropriated by the Conference of \$1,500. very materially changes the percentage as reported by the Special Committee on Revision of Assessments and Budget, as follows:

Financial from 11½ % to 12 %; Per capita from \$1.07 to \$1.10; to be divided as follows:

President's Salary, 10 8-10 %; Maryland Conference interests, 70 9-10 %; General Conference interests, 18 3-10 %.

The special assessment of \$1,300. for General Conference Expenses has been distributed on the percentage basis and will be ready for publication in the next issue of the Methodist Protestant.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS RANDALL, Chairman.
G. A. OGG, Secretary.
ERNEST E. WOODEN,
WM. ROBT. HUEY,
RUSSELL P. SMITH,
N. O. GIBSON.

Report F

ITINERANCY AND ORDERS.

(Journal, pages 37, 45.)

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders respectfully submits the following as a partial report:

1. That Beverly Paul Crowson be received into the Conference on trial, and recommend to the President that he be given an appointment, if such be possible, so as to enable him to go to Seminary for the full four years Course of Study.

2. That C. M. Jenkins be received into the Conference on trial, provided he waives all claim upon the Superannuated Fund.

3. That E. C. Graham, an unstationed minister of our Clayton Charge, be received into the Conference.

4. That Frederick William Siffrin, G. E. Turner, Frank Milton Volk be received and ordained, they being graduates of the Seminary.

5. That Ellis Clyde Miller be referred to the President of the Conference for employment, and we recommend that he be advised to pursue the studies of the Preparatory Course; that Moses Almond Titchenell be put into the hands of the President of the Conference.

Your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders respectfully submits its final report as follows:

We recommend,

First, That Frank K. McCorkle be ordained, he having passed through the Course of Study, and that some hour be fixed for his ordination during the session of the Conference.

Second, That C. S. Larrimore, W. A. Sites, H. F. Butler, A. W. Betts, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, W. S. Simms be placed in the hands of the President; and that C. S. Larrimore,

H. F. Butler, H. A. Kester, M. H. Titchenell, B. P. Crowson, C. M. Jenkins, A. W. Betts, T. C. Mulligan, H. H. Carroll, A. S. Scarborough, H. J. Mason, and S. C. Wood be given license to administer the ordinances. And that Earl Cummings be given license to administer the ordinances provided the President gives him an appointment and deems it necessary.

We report:

That S. C. Wood, C. M. Jenkins, B. P. Crowson are passed to the first year's class; that J. H. Lynch and H. L. Murphy are continued in the second year's class at their own request; that C. N. Alexander, P. M. R. Schauer, A. F. T. Raum, J. P. George, L. E. Haddaway and Frank K. McCorkle are passed through the course; that J. T. Moore of the third year's class has not appeared for examination, and not having complied with his sacred promise to continue the course of study, we recommend that his credentials be revoked, and that he be called upon by the President to surrender his credentials; that E. J. Holland, an unstationed preacher of St. Lukes Church was permitted to take the course of study with a view to ordination.

We further report that the transfer of C. P. Butler from the West Virginia Conference was received and we recommend that he be received into the Conference.

J. L. MILLS, Chairman.

J. W. KIRK, Secretary.

Report G

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, pages 38, 40, 52.)

We have carefully considered all papers referred to your committee including those for financial aid, and while we find the necessity for the same, because of limited funds the committee has not been able to grant all requests. We have done our best under the circumstances.

We heartily commend the work of the Church Extension Superintendent this year. He has traveled much and dealt with many things touching the Church Extension interests of the Conference.

Upon examination of the reports of the Church Extension Society of the Conference, the Baltimore City, and the Peninsula Societies referred to this committee we find that each of these societies has been successful in its respective endeavors.

We desire to state plainly and positively that the Quarterly Conference of Liberty Circuit has no right to retain the proceeds from the sale of Walkersville Church, but to invest the same in church building according to the law of our Church found in the Discipline page 109, paragraph 5; and in our judgment this should be legally expended at once. The President is directed to see that the law in this case is carried out.

We heartily approve the consolidation of Broadway and Lauraville Churches; and the fact that they contemplate the erection of a new church in Montebello Park.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the same amount as last year be laid upon the Conference District for Church Extension.
2. In view of the consolidation of Broadway and Lauraville Churches that a pastor and an assistant pastor be appointed by the President of the Conference to that work.
3. The appointment of a committee on survey of territory in Carroll, Frederick, and Howard Counties to report at the next session of the Annual Conference.
4. That the Payson Street building enterprise including location be referred to the Board of Managers of the Conference Church Extension Society with power to act; provided, however, that the decision of the said Board shall not involve this Conference in money, to an amount more than \$1000.
5. The re-appointment of J. M. Sheridan as Church Extension Superintendent.
6. The closed churches in the Conference District be looked after by the Superintendent of Church Extension.

BOUNDARIES.

1. We recommend that Madison and Chateau Churches on Cambridge Charge be detached from Cambridge and be constituted a separate charge to be known as Cambridge Circuit; and, that the church in Cambridge be known as Cambridge Station.
2. We recommend that Dagsboro Church be continued under the care of the pastor of Georgetown (Del.) Station; and that Selbyville be continued under the care of Whaleyville Pastor.
3. That Faith and Hebron Churches on Georgetown Circuit be attached to Cannon's Charge; Central Church on the same charge be placed under the care of the pastor of Milford Station; and that Salem of the same charge be attached to Harbeson charge.
4. That Skinner's Neck Church be attached to Wesley Chapel of Kent.
5. That the name of Nichols Memorial charge be changed to Nichol's Memorial and Glen Burnie.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Alexandria, if supplied with a married man	\$ 200.00
Bethany, if supplied with a married man	200.00
Cambridge Circuit on pastor's salary (\$200 from Cambridge Station) from this Conference	200.00
Centreville on salary	200.00
Cherrydale \$500. on debt to be paid in two annual installments of \$250. each provided the said charge liquidates its entire mortgage debt of \$5000. in two years	250.00

Chesaco Park on salary if supplied with regular pastor, the money to be paid through the Board of Managers of the Conference Church Extension Society	200.00
Conference Church Extension Society on account of salary of the Superintendent of Church Extension	1000.00
Conquest on pastor's salary	100.00
Crumpton, if supplied with a regular pastor	100.00
Deer Creek on Pastor's salary	150.00
Dover, on debt	100.00
Emmanuel Church, Phila., \$1000. in four annual installments to be applied to new Church, provided they build this year....	250.00
Evergreen, on salary, provided supplied with married man....	350.00
Greenbush & Tasley, on salary if supplied with regular pastor...	100.00
Harmony, on salary	100.00
Kent Island, on salary	100.00
Lawsonia, if supplied with regular pastor	200.00
Lynchburg, on debt if the mortgage debt of \$5000. is paid this year, \$500. in two annual installments	250.00
Mapleside, Cumberland, on salary if supplied with regular pastor.	100.00
Payson Street, \$1000. on new church in four annual installments of \$250. providing the conditions referred to in this report are met	250.00
Payson Street on salary	200.00
Quantico, on pastor's salary if regularly supplied	100.00
St. Michael's on the final payment of Fanny Lowe Memorial debt	50.00
St. Paul's, Baltimore, \$1000. on new building operation, provided the same is begun this year, in four annual installments....	250.00
Taylor Memorial, on building project if carried out this year, \$1000. in four annual installments	250.00
Trinity, Baltimore, on pastor's salary	150.00
Violetville, on pastor's salary	200.00
Waverly, if supplied with regular pastor	100.00
Wilmington, new Church enterprise, on salary this year if supplied with a married man, \$500; and on lot recently purchased \$1000. in four annual installments; the money to be paid through the Board of Managers of the Conference Ch. Extension Society	750.00
Wye, on pastor's salary if regularly supplied	100.00

We recommend 1st that the appropriation made at last Conference session to Emmanuel Church, Philadelphia, Pa. on purchase of lot to be applied toward Church-building provided they begin the erection of their new church this year.

This change is recommended in view of the fact that the lot for Emmanuel Church has been purchased and paid for from another source.

2nd. That the \$250.00 appropriated to Lewes Charge, which was inadvertently left out of our report last year, be paid to the proper authorities by the Treasurer of this Conference.

G. W. HADDAWAY, Chairman.

E. C. MAKOSKY, Secretary.

Report of the Methodist Protestant Church Extension Society of Baltimore City.

We respectfully submit the following report:

Waverly Church, under the care and supervision of this Society, has had a fairly successful year under the pastorate of Capt. A. M. Titchenell. They have met all of their obligations. We recommend that a pastor be appointed to this church under the care and supervision of this Society, and such appropriation on salary be made as may be found necessary.

This Society, according to instructions from this Conference, has given careful attention to Waverly church during the year. A joint committee from the Board of Managers and St. John's Church has studied the conditions surrounding the church and endeavored to reach a conclusion as to the best course to pursue. The committee finally decided that for the future growth of the church, it is necessary to change the location. After a survey of the community contiguous to the present site, a lot was purchased on Starr Lane and 38th St. It is in a new development where in the near future five hundred new homes will be erected. Already one hundred of them are now either in course of erection or completed. The lot is 95x100 ft. The purchase price is \$4000.00. We hope to complete the payment for this lot in the early part of the Conference year.

The Society paid \$200.00 to St. Paul's Church in completing the payment of its debt.

In March a canvass was made in Baltimore for new members to the Society and about one thousand were secured. In this campaign twenty-five laymen responded to the call for service and visited the churches on the Sabbath, presented the cause, and secured new members. We cannot commend the laymen too highly for their interest and co-operation. It will mean a new era in the progress of our denomination when the talents and resources of our laymen are fully utilized.

The Treasurer's report shows receipts amounting to \$1713.35, with a total expenditure of \$1084.00, leaving a balance on hand of \$632.84.

We are gratified to report that there is an awakened interest on the part of many of our people of Baltimore in the work of the Society and the outlook for success during the ensuing year is very encouraging.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHERIDAN, President.

W. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Report of Committee on Closed Churches.

In June, I visited Northumberland Circuit in the interest of Liberty Church, which for some years has been closed.

I preached at Fairfield and Afton, and at each church had a committee appointed to meet me at Liberty for the evening service. We discussed the future of the church and adjourned to meet at the Parsonage

Monday night. After a lengthy conference, we decided to open the church again for services. One member promised one hundred dollars on salary and the others present obligated themselves to raise another hundred. Arrangements were made for Evangelistic services in August. They were disappointed in the Evangelist not arriving but held the meeting with some success.

Brother Phillips has continued preaching there, but on account of the weather has not been able to go regularly. They have paid him \$... on salary and have raised a small amount for repairs. The church was closed so long that it is difficult to rally the people. I think it wise to continue the effort for another year at least.

In August, accompanied by Rev. N. O. Gibson, I held a service in Bambury church in Talbot County. We conversed with those present relative to opening the church for regular services, and finally decided that it was not advisable to undertake it. Since then we have been trying to dispose of the property but to date have not succeeded.

I have during the year been in conference with Brother Clinton B. Jarman about opening the Greensboro church. He expresses himself favorable to the suggestion. Greensboro is not over-churched. The country around the town is thickly populated. I believe this church should be supplied and I earnestly hope that it can be in the near future.

We have tried to dispose of Fairview church on Bedford Circuit, but up to the present have not succeeded.

I secured the deed to the land on which Bethel Church, of what was formerly Montgomery Circuit, is built, and presented it to Mr. T. A. Murray. His decision was that it was so complicated that it would not pay to lay claim to the property. I have been unable to find a record of the deed of Shiloh Church on the same circuit. The Presbyterians have been holding services there. Through the kindness of Rev. A. H. Green I was able to visit the church and thought I had disposed of the property for a nominal sum, but the deal has not been closed.

In August, through Brother Hines, I sold a church lot in Campbell County, Virginia, for twenty-five dollars.

Some weeks ago I sold the Walkersville church, which was formerly an appointment of Liberty Circuit. This property has been held by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Quarterly Conference of Liberty Circuit.

I have called the attention of the Quarterly Conference and Trustees, to the law governing the proceeds from the sale of extinct churches, and sent them a paper on the subject, a copy of which I have in my possession. I have a reply from Brother W. E. Burrall, the secretary of the Quarterly Conference in which he cites the action of their Quarterly Conference held November 7th, 1914, over which Dr. Bowers presided, and in which they declare their purpose to invest the proceeds from the sale of the above named church and apply the interest to the pastors salary on that Circuit. This is so manifestly at variance with the law that I have presented the matter to the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society, and also presented the same to this Conference. I rec-

commend that this Conference take action as it may deem advisable in this defiance of church law on the part of this Quarterly Conference.

Peniel Church on Campbell Circuit has been sold to the Baptists for five hundred dollars. All things considered this is a good sale and I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to Rev. George Hines for attending to it.

There are other closed churches which should be looked after but they can not be disposed of at once. It takes time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Of the Peninsula Church Extension Society.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

The Peninsula Church Extension Society has not made great efforts to increase its membership during the last year as it was thought the Million Dollar Campaign had right of way in all financial appeals. As the Annual Conference did not find it practicable or possible to supply the work in Wilmington with a regular pastor the need of making a more active campaign did not seem imperative. During the year \$1252.00 has been collected in dues and expended according to the report of the Treasurer, which is attached.

Under the direction of the Society, J. M. Sheridan was instructed to collect balance of \$1000 on Selbyville Church debt; \$505 has been secured.

The Board of Managers held a meeting, June 23, 1919, in which President L. F. Warner and Dr. J. M. Sheridan made statements regarding the work in Wilmington. Dr. Sheridan was asked to go to Wilmington and spend enough time in the city to make a survey of our field. Early in the fall he spent three weeks in the city, visiting 118 Methodist Protestant families and holding three rallies, which were well attended by members of different Methodist Protestant Churches who are now making their home in the city of Wilmington. Many of them expressed a desire to see a church of their denomination eligibly located in the city. Since Christmas, Deaconess Baus has been working in Wilmington. She has established contact with 156 families, organized a Ladies Aid Society of 70 members. Pledges amounting to about \$1,200.00 on the current expenses have been secured.

This information was received at a meeting of the Board of Managers held March 1st in Delmar. The meeting was largely attended and it was decided that a constituency of this size warranted definite action toward providing a new church. The possibility of renting a hall for temporary use was considered and a committee was empowered to act. The Committee on Property and Finance was instructed to arrange for a lot, if in their judgment one should be purchased. This committee, consisting of F. P. Adkins, F. M. Wilson, W. P. Roberts, R. W. Sutcliffe, J. M. Sheridan and R. L. Shipley, met in Wilmington March 4th and after con-

sulting with a number of residents in that city, who seemed to be well informed in real estate values, unanimously decided to purchase a lot, 125 ft x 200 ft on the corner of Washington and 20th Streets. The net price of this ground was \$13,500.00 after securing a reduction brought about by the liberally contributed services of Hon. Daniel O. Hastings of Wilmington. The sum of \$1,000.00 has been paid from the membership fees of the Society. The balance due is \$12,500.00, which we are compelled to provide for by about May 20th. An appropriation of \$5,000. has been granted by the Board of Home Missions. We have been told that a mortgage can be placed on this property but we are not sure this can be done.

We suggest that the Conference Church Extension Society take over this property in order to hold the title and to help in providing for the money to pay for it, to which endeavor, the Peninsula Church Extension Society will lend its best efforts.

We believe that the time has come for the Maryland Annual Conference to send one of its experienced and most efficient ministers into this field. Adequate support ought to be secured the pastor. The amount pledged by the people of Wilmington should be supplemented by a liberal appropriation from the Committee on Church Extension and this Society will also make a substantial contribution to the salary. We are very sure that the right man will be able to largely finance the new work but we feel that, for the first year at least, his support ought to be assured by the Church Extension organizations and his mind be free to devote himself entirely to constructive planning and working for the future. A Committee consisting of Revs. R. L. Shipley, R. Y. Nicholson, Messrs. Frances M. Wilson, Jno. H. Elliott and Edwin G. Cover, has been appointed by the President of this Society to represent it in Conference with the appointing power of the Maryland Conference regarding the pastoral supply of the new enterprise in Wilmington.

FRED P. ADKINS, President.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Secretary.

Report of Edwin G. Cover, Treasurer.

INCOME.

1.—Charter Members	\$ 18.00
2.—Easton	34.00
3.—St. Michaels	22.00
4.—Pocomoke City	65.00
5.—First Church, Wilmington	28.00
6.—Conquest	23.00
7.—Pittsville	81.00
8.—Hebron	80.00
9.—Laurel, Del.	36.00
10.—Crisfield	14.00
11.—Trinity	34.00
12.—Salem	16.00

13.—Federalburg	35.00
14.—Cannon	13.00
15.—Denton	41.00
16.—Parksley	30.00
17.—New Church	32.00
18.—Salisbury	125.00
19.—Hurlock	12.00
20.—Dover	11.00
21.—C. E. Bell, Dorchester Circuit	1.00
22.—Clayton	52.00
23.—Seaford	65.00
24.—Worton	64.00
25.—Carmichaels	31.00
26.—Quantico	11.00
27.—Marion	1.00
28.—Sharptown	11.00
29.—Harrington	27.00
30.—Milton	35.00
31.—Oxford	25.00
32.—Belair	2.00
33.—Moors Chapel	40.00
34.—Leeds Church	35.00
35.—Bay View	17.00
36.—Sent in by Dr. Sheridan, Franklin City	5.00
37.—Chestertown	80.00
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\$1252.00	

DISBURSEMENTS.

1.—Mar. 25th, Rev. J. H. Straughn	\$ 3.25
2.—Mar. 25th, J. W. Stowell Printing Co.	45.74
3.—Mar. 25th, Rev. W. P. Roberts	2.00
4.—Apr. 28th, J. Ryland Taylor	10.75
5.—Oct. 6th, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	13.57
6.—Oct. 6th, Rev. N. O. Gibson	3.72
7.—Oct. 6th, Fred P. Adkins	29.40
8.—Oct. 6th, Rev. R. L. Shipley	4.06
9.—Oct. 6th, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	32.49
10.—Oct. 6th, T. P. Fisher	4.25
11.—Jan. 6th, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	32.00
12.—Feb. 27th, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	26.00
13.—Mar. 6th, Rev. J. M. Sheridan	32.00
14.—Mar. 15th, Fred P. Adkins	900.00
15.—Mar. 27th, Rev. J. H. Straughn	40.00
Mar. 27th, Cash in Bank	72.77
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\$1252.00	

Report H

SUPERANNUATES.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 50.)

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully reports as follows:

1. We recommend that \$6000. be assessed on the District.
2. We report that J. S. Bowers, A. A. Harryman, W. R. Graham, Mrs. J. M. Elderdice and Mrs. C. T. Cochell, deceased during the year.
3. We recommend that Mrs. J. S. Bowers, Mrs. R. K. Lewis, Mrs. W. R. Graham and the daughter of Rev. A. A. Harriman be granted Superannuated relations.
4. We report that Mrs. S. J. Smith and Mrs. J. H. S. Ewell make no request for this year.
5. We report that the Fund paid 100 per cent. for the year.
6. We recommend the following appropriations.

	Invested Fund	Collections	Total
J. W. Gray	\$480.00	\$ 20.00	\$500.00
W. D. Litsinger	410.00	90.00	500.00
A. W. Mather	490.00	10.00	500.00
J. L. Mills	510.00		510.00
J. W. Norris	300.00	100.00	400.00
W. M. Strayer	480.00	20.00	500.00
J. G. Sullivan	290.00		290.00
J. M. Holmes	520.00		520.00
F. H. Mullineaux	440.00		440.00
F. T. Tagg	470.00	30.00	500.00
G. F. Farring	300.00		300.00
C. E. McCullough	290.00		290.00
W. N. Sherwood	190.00	210.00	400.00
Mrs. D. Bowers	60.00	15.00	75.00
Mrs. H. C. Cushing	65.00	135.00	200.00
Mrs. S. G. Ferguson	100.00	50.00	150.00
Mrs. D. N. Gilbert	15.00	110.00	125.00
Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell	210.00	40.00	250.00
Mrs. J. B. Jones	115.00	35.00	150.00
Mrs. J. L. Kilgore	90.00	35.00	125.00
Mrs. R. L. Lewis	115.00	85.00	200.00
Mrs. J. E. Litsinger	35.00	215.00	250.00
Mrs. W. J. D. Lucas	55.00	195.00	250.00
Mrs. A. D. Melvin	145.00	105.00	250.00
Mrs. C. B. Middleton	35.00	140.00	175.00
Mrs. H. E. Miskimon	60.00	40.00	100.00
Mrs. W. J. Neepler	155.00		155.00
Mrs. W. S. Phillips	115.00	285.00	400.00
Mrs. R. S. Rowe	205.00	45.00	250.00

	Invested Fund	Collections	Total
Mrs. G. J. Smith	105.00	45.00	150.00
Mrs. S. J. Valliant	15.00	110.00	125.00
Mrs. A. J. Walter	75.00	125.00	200.00
Mrs. R. S. Williamson	35.00	100.00	135.00
Mrs. H. F. Wright	65.00	185.00	250.00
Mrs. J. M. Yingling	15.00	35.00	50.00
Mrs. F. L. Stevens	95.00	205.00	300.00
Mrs. R. T. Tyson	45.00	205.00	250.00
Mrs. S. B. Tredway	190.00	100.00	290.00
Mrs. D. L. Greenfield	130.00		130.00
Mrs. E. O. Ewing	195.00	30.00	225.00
Mrs. G. R. Hodge	135.00	165.00	300.00
Mrs. J. A. Weigand	70.00	105.00	175.00
Mrs. J. S. Bowers	170.00		170.00
Mrs. R. K. Lewis	25.00	125.00	150.00
Mrs. W. R. Graham	225.00		225.00
Miss Ruth Harriman		50.00	50.00
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J. M. SHERIDAN, Chairman.

S. W. COE, Secretary.

JOHN BAYLEY JONES, M. D.

E. H. JONES.

J. H. MATHIAS.

Report I

LITERATURE AND EDUCATION.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, pages 32, 33.)

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

The committee has carefully reviewed the report of the President of Western Maryland College, and is gratified to note the enrollment of 375 students, which nearly equals the extraordinary attendance of last year. While the graduating class is not as large as usual, it is notable in that it is the fiftieth, and we join in the hopeful anticipation that the coming Golden Commencement may be one of the greatest days in the history of this splendid institution.

It is very gratifying to learn of the steadily increasing endowment fund which now amounts to \$207,945. with \$5,723.36 on hand for investment. Educational standards, however, are continually rising which means in the light of present-day requirements not less than \$500,000. will be considered an adequate endowment.

We commend the Board of Trustees on their wise planning for the future in the purchase of the farm adjoining the College property consisting of 65 acres, which was purchased at a cost of \$26,000. and has been paid for.

We congratulate the President, Dr. T. H. Lewis, on the 34 efficient and very successful years of service he has given to the institution. He has served the college and his church with unstinted devotion for which we are profoundly grateful. We deeply regret to record the fact of his resignation, and express the hope that there is nothing to prevent his remaining longer in the position he has filled so ably.

WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

In this day when there is such a demand for trained men in the ministry we rejoice in the fact that the student enrollment of the Seminary is the largest in its history, numbering 43 and representing 9 Conferences. It is especially gratifying to note that 18 of this number are from the Maryland Conference.

The quadrennial review given in the report is of special interest. We regret that the percentage of the General Conference Budget apportion to the Seminary is too low. Under this system the Seminary has received during the past 4 years \$17,908.38 which is a decrease of \$2,015. It is pleasing to note, however, that there has been an increase in Distributive Scholarship Fund of \$212.97 and \$2,602.70 in the Permanent Fund. There has been an increase in the Endowment Fund of \$517.73 which now amounts to \$12,702.85.

The \$50,000 Building Fund authorized by the last General Conference has been subscribed and the building begun, which when completed will cost between seventy-five and one hundred thousand dollars.

The enrollment for the quadrennium totals 151 an increase of 21%. Of this number 50% has entered the Maryland Conference.

We gratefully acknowledge the bequests that have come to this institution from its friends, and the wise management of the same by the Board of Managers.

Your committee concurs in the following recommendations:

1. That H. L. Elderdice be assigned as President of the Seminary for the ensuing year.

2. That all delinquent subscribers to the Building Fund be urged to pay as soon as possible.

3. That our people be requested to remember in their wills either the Endowment or Scholarship Fund.

4. That our pastors more earnestly than ever seek to lay upon the brightest and best young men of their parishes the claims of the ministry and then to insist upon both the college and seminary training.

Your committee further recommends that J. L. Mills, J. M. Gill, J. W. Kirk, T. Pliny Fisher, and T. W. Mather be re-elected on the Board of Governors as representatives from the Maryland Annual Conference.

BALTIMORE BOOK CONCERN.

We have carefully considered the report of the Book Concern and are pleased to note the excellent showing made during the year. While the report shows there is a deficit in the publication of the Methodist Protestant caused by the steadily increasing cost of printing, the report shows that this is more than met from other sources leaving a net gain of \$5392.27.

We are gratified in the steadily increasing subscription list of the Methodist Protestant which amounts to 988 for the year, and are pleased to record that there has been an increase in the past four years of 4,921 making a total subscription list at the present time of 7,421 which is the largest in the history of the paper. This is an excellent record and can not be too highly commended.

We congratulate the efficient Editor, Dr. F. T. Benson, on the high standard of the paper and pledge him our most hearty support recommending that the third Sunday in October be known as Methodist Protestant day, and that every pastor be urged to place the paper in every home on his charge if possible.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. LITTLE,
J. L. ELDERDICE,
E. A. SEXSMITH,
T. PLINY FISHER,
SETH H. LINTHICUM,
W. C. SCOTT,

Committee.

Of the Baltimore Book Directory.

To the President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference:

The Baltimore Book Concern herewith submits its Annual Report and wishes to direct your attention to certain facts shown therein.

There are three departments of the business, namely, the printing and publishing of the Methodist Protestant, the purchase and sale of Sunday School Literature, and the purchase and sale of merchandise, including books, cards, etc.

Through the efforts of our energetic and thoughtful Editor, together with the hearty co-operation of our Agent, we are able to report the total list of subscribers to the church paper to be at this time 7421, being the largest known list in the history of the paper, and 988 more than was reported last year. It ought also to be said that four years ago the list amounted to 2500 thus showing an increase during the past four years of 4921. This is a record of which all should be very proud. The annual subscription price of the paper has not been sufficient for many years to meet the cost of the publication and delivery of the paper. This year the gross loss amounted to \$4307.23, but this was reduced to a net loss of \$3307.23 by the contribution of \$1000. out of the income of the Drinkhouse Estate. The loss has increased in recent years mainly by the con-

stant increase in the cost of all things that go to make up the paper while the price has remained fixed at \$1.50 per year. A careful study of the situation shows that at present it costs the Book Concern \$2.16 to print, publish and deliver the paper, but of course it goes without saying that it is a wise investment.

The purchase and sale of Sunday School Literature has increased during the year, thus making it possible for us to report a net profit of \$1735.80, but this profit could be easily increased if our Church Membership would loyally support this branch of our business.

The purchase and sale of merchandise is a field of great opportunity and we are pleased to be able to say that through the wise and careful purchases made by our Agent and his skillful prejudging of the wishes of the public, this department of our work has increased 25% over that of last year, thus yielding us a net profit of \$8407.33. If our Church Membership would look upon the Book Concern as their own business and make a point of purchasing all desired materials from it, this profit could be greatly increased during the coming year.

Out of the receipts from the last two named departments of our business we have paid to the General Conference during the past year the sum of \$1881.81.

The net profits of our business for the year amounts to \$5392.27. By the careful conducting of our business, applying strictly business principles and methods, we have been able during several years to set aside the sum of \$11987.76 as a "Sinking Fund." We are clearly of the opinion that this Fund should be most zealously guarded, for we feel that in the very near future it should be used to purchase and equip an up-to-date printing and publishing plant, so that the Church paper can be made up and controlled within our own business, and also used to introduce certain new features necessary to make our business appeal to the general public.

We feel that we should not close this report without most sincerely praising the efforts of our Editor and our Agent, who have worked together so harmoniously, intelligently and energetically, thus making it possible for us, to a very great extent, to report a strikingly successful business this year.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Directors,

N. T. MEGINNISS, President.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Methodist Protestant Book Concern as of February 29, 1920.

ASSETS.

Current Assets:

Cash	\$2725.85
Suspense account Methodist Protestant	172.05
Advertisers Methodist Protestant	132.87
Trustees Maryland Annual Conference	253.20
Balto. Post Office (Deposit)	27.00

Accounts Receivable	6961.77	
Interest accrued on Liberty Bonds	76.14	
Total Current Assets		\$10348.88
Reserve Fund:		
Baker, Watts & Co. (Deposit)	\$2993.94	
U. S. Liberty Bonds 4 1/4 %	5000.00	
Total Reserve Fund		\$ 7993.94
Working and Trading Assets:		
Paper, Methodist Protestant	\$1076.78	
Sunday School Periodicals	109.59	
Merchandise	16009.36	
Total Working and Trading Assets		\$17195.73
Fixed Assets:		
Furniture and Fixtures		\$ 1.00
Deferred Charges to Expense:		
Merchandise Expense	\$ 322.54	
General Expense	360.51	
Property Improvement and Expense	1032.22	
Total Deferred Charges to Expense		\$ 1715.27
TOTAL ASSETS		\$37254.82

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL.

Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$1182.32	
Methodist Protestant Subscribers	1713.50	
Sunday School Periodical Subscribers	747.53	
Donations from M.P. Subscribers	11.77	
M. P. Picture Fund	64.26	
Book Concern Bldg. and Pub. Fund	10.00	
Reserve for bad accounts	139.23	
Bonus Acct. (C. Reiner, \$200; Dr. Benson \$200)	400.00	
General Conference	998.45	
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 5267.06
Surplus:		
Emergency Fund		\$11987.76
Capital		\$20000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$37254.82

CHAS. REINER, JR., Agent.

**General Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year Ending
February 29, 1920.**

INCOME.

Methodist Protestant:

Sales	\$8982.52
Suspense Account (over)	118.70
Advertising	420.97
Income from Drinkhouse Legacy	1000.00
Commissions and Discount	232.39

Total Income from Methodist Protestant	\$10754.58
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Sunday School Periodicals: Sales	\$18049.43
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Merchandise:

Sales	\$47858.02
Discount	396.40

Total Income from Merchandise	\$48254.42
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Income from Other Sources: Interest	\$ 335.40
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TOTAL INCOME	\$77393.83
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EXPENDITURES.

Methodist Protestant:

Paper	\$3915.57
Postage	569.03
Expense	484.14
Printing	5548.15
M. P. & Meth. Rec. Combined Allowances.....	2.00
Salaries	2930.96
General Expense	611.96

Total Expenditures Methodist Protestant	\$14061.81
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Sunday School Periodicals:

Purchases	\$12197.53
Postage, Express and Freight	744.24
Expense	283.67
General Expense	611.96
Salaries	2476.23

Total Expenditures S. S. Periodicals	\$16313.63
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Merchandise:

Purchases	\$31905.31
Salaries	4127.05

Expense	2709.41	
General Expense	611.96	
Postage, Express and Freight	493.36	
Total Expenditures, Merchandise		\$39847.09
General Expenses:		
Expenses on Property	\$ 810.28	
Forward Movement	883.36	
Profit and Loss Items	85.39	
Total Expense other than operations		\$ 1779.03
		\$72001.56
Net Profits:		
(Bonus Account (Chas. Reiner \$200; Dr. F. T. Benson \$200)	\$ 400.00	
20% to General Conference	998.45	
Emergency Fund	3993.82	\$ 5392.27
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$77393.83

CHAS. REINER, JR., Agent.

Of the President of Western Maryland College.

Westminster, Md.,
April 7th, 1920.

To the Maryland Annual Conference
of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Déar Brethren: I have the honor of submitting to you my thirty-fourth annual report as President of Western Maryland College.

The year has been a good one in respect to attendance, our enrollment nearly equalling the extraordinary attendance of last, and numbering 272. The graduating class this year numbers 26, a smaller class than usual, but notable as being the fiftieth. In honor of this occasion we have denominated this the Golden Commencement. We hope to have a great occasion. The special exercises in commemoration will be held on Wednesday, the 15th of June, which is Commencement Day. We hope every class of the fifty will be represented, and a great company of visitors. One of the features of the day will be a great dinner at which we hope to have 500 guests and which will last three hours, not in eating, but in a feast of reason and flow of soul as well as a substantial meal. There ought to be an inspiration to those who love the College to see the representatives of the fruits of fifty years gathered together, and I think all the seats will be taken at this dinner.

I said last year in my report that we were looking forward to the time when we could announce that we had raised our endowment fund up

to the minimum amount. I have this great pleasure now. We have an invested fund at present of \$207,945.00, and money on hand for investment, \$5,723.36. But, like many blessings, while we were laboring to reach this amount, the blessing itself receded from our view. \$200,000. is no longer a minimum endowment, even for a small college. The price of safety has gone up, and we are now assured by experts that nothing less than \$500,000. will do to rely upon as an endowment fund. For my part, I am profoundly thankful for what has been realized, and I am entirely hopeful that the new mark will be reached. But let me not be greedy. I will leave something for others to do.

The financial condition of the College continues good. While the cost of all our supplies has increased greatly, we have not added to our income except to the extent of an addition of \$25. per annum to the charges for students. Besides our low rates we have given scholarships worth \$90. each to eleven children of ministers, and to seventeen young men preparing for the ministry, a total of \$2520. or about fifty per cent. more than we receive from the Conference collection. Yet we pay all our current bills out of our income, and have never used even the interest of our endowment fund to supplement current operations, but re-invested it from the beginning. Last year was the best year financially we have ever had, and we were enabled to lay aside a sum of money for building improvements, but building improvements have taken to themselves wings and soared beyond our sight. While we were waiting for better times it happened that the death of the owner brought into market the farm adjoining the college property consisting of sixty-five acres. Our committee thought the opportunity ought not to be lost, and by their advice the farm was bought for \$26,000. We took a part of the million dollar receipts and all of our surplus to pay for it, and we are now the owners in fee and without debt of this enlargement to our campus in which all the friends of the college will rejoice.

The campaign for the million dollar fund has paid us three installments amounting to *\$46,104.52, of which we have used \$14,803.93 in paying for the Geiman farm, and invested for endowment, the remainder. Our portion of the \$800,000. that has been so far subscribed is about \$116,000. So we may look forward to receiving something like \$70,000. additional from this fund.

The campaign into which we entered in 1917 for fifty thousand dollars was successful in securing the whole amount in subscriptions. But there is yet uncollected nearly \$2500. of which \$325. was subscribed by members of the Conference. Of this \$2500. I have charged off \$800. as hopeless. I think we will get the remainder.

There are many things to say about the College, but this report is already longer than I have been accustomed to make. Perhaps it will be expected, however, that I would say something concerning my resignation as President which I presented to the Board of Trustees last February. I have served in this office thirty-four years. My predecessor served nineteen years, and when he resigned he was nearly two years

*Note—Since the writing of this report another distribution has been made amounting to \$15,820.70.

younger than I am. That simple fact will answer a multitude of questions. For the other questions I will simply say like Cato of old I had rather my friends should be asking why do I resign than to wait until they are asking why I don't. However, I wish the committee who may be charged with the duty of reporting on this paper will not write my obituary. I thank my Heavenly Father that I am still alive.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS, President.

Of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary.

The thirty-eighth annual report of The Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary is respectfully submitted to the ninety-second session of the Maryland Conference.

ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment this year is the largest in the history of the institution. By classes the students are thus distributed: Seniors 8, Middlers 11, Juniors 24—total 43. By Conference distribution they are: Alabama 1, South Carolina 1, Indiana 1, Michigan 1, Ohio 2, North Carolina 4, West Virginia 5, Eastern 9, and Maryland 18. There is also one student from the Methodist Episcopal Church. The colleges represented are: Adrian, Western Maryland, Wesleyan, West Va. and Elon, North Carolina.

THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Next Commencement, May 4th, there will be 8 graduates to enter the following Conferences: Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church 1, Alabama 1, West Va. 1, Eastern 2, and Maryland 3. The Maryland men are: F. W. Siffrin, Patpasco; G. E. Turner, Federalsburg; and F. M. Volk, Baltimore.

LECTURE COURSE.

The special lectures during the year were instructive and inspirational. The Reformed Church was represented by Rev. Chalmers Walck, the Presbyterian by Rev. James M. Nourse, and our own Church by Secretary Johnson of the Forward Movement Commission and by Dr. E. H. Van Dyke. The latter gave 7 lectures on Missions which evidenced wide research, careful construction, a wealth of personal experience, and a passion for a work of the Foreign field.

QUADRENNIAL REVIEW.

This being the last session of the Maryland Conference before the convening of the General Conference it may be interesting to survey the work of the Seminary done during the last four years.

BUDGET SUPPORT.

Prior to the last General Conference the Annual Conferences sent their several assessments directly to the Seminary and their sum total for the last quadrennium was \$19,923.38. By the establishment of the Budget System and the granting of so small a per cent. of the same to the Seminary, the present quadrennium shows that the Seminary has received only \$17,908.38—a decrease of \$2,015.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

The Distributive Fund: Last quadrennium it was \$7,358.18; this quadrennium it is \$7,571.15—an increase of \$212.97. The Permanent Fund: Last quadrennium it was \$6,706.; this quadrennium it is \$9,308.70—an increase of \$2,602.70.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Four years ago it was \$12,186.12; it is now \$12,702.85—an increase of \$517.73.

BUILDING FUND.

The last General Conference authorized a campaign to raise \$50,000 for new buildings and equipment. That amount has been subscribed. Most of the subscriptions, however, are on the four year payment plan, and on account of the numerous "drives" by Church and State many of these will not be collectable. This deficiency we hope to make good, in part at least, by receipts from the Million Dollar Fund. But because of the abnormally high and constantly increasing cost of labor and materials we estimate that the final cost will be from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The new building is in process of construction and our plans call for its completion for the opening of school next September. The consummation of this work of splendid architecture and complete equipment will meet a long-felt need and mark an epoch in the history of the institution.

STUDENTS.

The enrollment of the first year of the quadrennium was 38; the second, 38; the third 32; and the fourth 43—total 151, or an increase over the last quadrennium of 21%. The graduates the first year numbered 7; the second, 10; the third 15; and the fourth, 8—total 40, or an increase over the last quadrennium of 21%. These graduates are distributed thus: United Brethren Church 1, Indiana 1, North Illinois 1, Pittsburgh 1, Methodist Episcopal Church 2, Alabama 2, West Va. 2, Eastern 5, North Carolina 5, and Maryland 20. Maryland thus receives 50% of the output.

LEGACIES.

Year by year our people are leaving bequests to the Seminary. Some of these are for Current Receipts, some for Endowment, and some for Scholarship Fund. In the latter Fund there is a \$1,000 investment held

in trust by The Educational Endowment Society of Maryland Conference. It is the Henrietta Gibson Scholarship which Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse left as a memorial to his first wife. In the Scholarship Fund there is a legacy of \$2,500 left by the second wife of Dr. Drinkhouse as a memorial to him. And it is due the Trustees of the Maryland Conference that there be here gratefully acknowledged the receipt from them, as custodians of the estate of Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, annually for the last 11 years the sum of \$500. for the training of young men for the ministry. In a few days we expect to increase the Permanent Scholarship \$2,500 by a legacy from Mrs. G. D. Edmondston, the widow of one of our ministers of the Maryland Conference.

With gratitude for the past and courage for the future we respectfully recommend:

First, That H. L. Elderdice be assigned as President of the Seminary for the ensuing year.

Second, That all delinquent subscribers to the Building Fund be urged to pay as soon as possible.

Third, That our people be requested to remember in their wills either the Endowment or the Scholarship Fund.

Fourth, That our pastors more earnestly than ever seek to lay upon the brightest and best young men of their parishes the claims of the ministry and then insist upon both the College and the Seminary training.

J. L. MILLS,
President, Board of Governors.

Report J

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 47.)

Your committee has examined various reports dealing with the strength and progress of our Young People's Work and begs to submit the following report.

We heartily approve the work done by our Conference Union of Young People's Work. The Efficiency Chart of our Christian Endeavor Work has been revised and put on a new basis of wider latitude and larger opportunity for results and progress. The combining of School of Methods and Inspirational Convention has brought about a very helpful annual meeting at Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland. Last summer there were registered 124 delegates together with many visitors who stayed practically the entire five days. We trust that the Union's appeal for remittance of dues from schools and societies will meet with prompt payment.

We approve the resolution of the Baltimore Union of Young People's Work that the Maryland Conference send a memorial to the General Con-

ference of the Methodist Protestant Church to take steps at once to provide Graded Lesson Helps for all departments of our Sunday Schools, and we ask the Maryland Delegation to bring this matter to the attention of the General Conference.

We call special attention to the Daily Vacation Bible School Work which is being done by some of our sister denominations and which is highly recommended by the International Sunday School Association. We recommend that our pastors investigate this new phase of Christian Education for our children.

We commend to the interest of our Conference the Annual Conference Institute to be held at Westminster, Md., Thursday to Monday, July 28 to August 1, for a larger attendance. We commend the suggestion made in the President's Report that District Rallies be held from time to time, and trust that several shall be held preceding the Summer Institute.

We call special attention to the Denominational Convention to be held at High Point, N. C., May 18-20, and ask the pastors of the Maryland Conference to present this to their congregations and see that the Maryland Conference is well represented in this convention.

We recommend that each charge be urged by the pastors to send representatives to Rallies, Institute, and Convention and that charges provide for their expenses.

We give special notice to the fact that for the first time the full amount of our goal for support of our Conference Union Missionary, Rev. Charles Heininger, was reached in the Union's Fiscal year. The Missionary Superintendent deserves our heartiest praise for this accomplishment. We trust that much larger support will be given to Foreign Missions by our schools and societies. We hope that more schools and societies will assume the support of native workers and provide for the education of students in our mission schools.

We ask that the keenest interest and heartiest effort be given that every phase of work among our Young People may succeed.

Signed,

G. M. CLAYTON, Chairman,
C. C. DAY, Secretary,
E. L. BUNCE,
F. M. BELL,
G. W. LEWIS,
J. H. WHEATLEY.

Of the President of the Union of Young People's Work.

The Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Brethren:

To report to you concerning the work of the Union of Young People's Work is a pleasant task for there is no more vigorous group of workers among us. The proofs of this statement should be apparent Friday

evening when we shall have four addresses by four of the laymen most active in the organization.

The Union work is comprehensive and to detail our activities would require much time. Without minimizing any of our departments I want specially to invite your attention to the work of the Missionary department. Last year was the first in our history when we raised the full amount of our goal for our missionary in China, Rev. Chas. Heininger. This is gratifying for we feel it was done without hurt to any other interest, that it is money which probably would not otherwise have been given. The year ahead promises to exceed even that of last year. We hope all of our pastors will stimulate the enthusiasm of our young people in this particular matter.

The Efficiency department has revised its chart and placed the work of the Endeavor Societies on a new basis. There is wider latitude and larger opportunity under this new schedule. Copies of the chart have been sent to every pastor and we hope all of our Societies are industriously following the plan.

This is the scheme:

We did not hold the usual convention last year. In its place we held at Western Maryland College in August an institute or conference. Beside many visitors there were registered 124 delegates who stayed practically the entire five days. I think I am modest in saying it was a remarkable affair. We went to school again. The college recitation halls were open and we used them in Bible study, Mission study, Christian Endeavor and Sunday School methods, etc. The afternoons were spent in recreational ways and the evenings in inspirational meetings on the campus and in Baker Chapel. There was a fine bit of earnestness and seriousness of purpose. We voted enthusiastically for another conference this year and I am glad to say that the College has very generously consented to the arrangement. We will therefore hold the institute at the College, Monday-Sunday, July 28-Aug. 1. It is our purpose to extend the curriculum this year, offering more courses and giving wider latitude in the choice of subjects. Board will be at a minimum and rates will be announced with descriptive literature in a short time.

I want the pastors to consider the value of this meeting to their young people, and to such an extent that they will not only strongly encourage their young people to attend but wherever necessary see that funds are provided. This is a great opportunity and we must not let it go by. President Lewis has been a fine host and has co-operated most heartily in making us comfortable and happy.

Pastors can also help us materially by seeing that the dues of \$2. each for the C. E. Society and Sunday School, and \$1. for the Junior Society, are sent in promptly. This is our only source of revenue and is necessary to our work.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. STRAUGHN, President.

Report K

MORAL REFORM.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, pages 44, 49.)

Another eventful year in the history of moral reform has passed, and the unceasing conflict between good and evil still continues with unabated intensity. Indeed the battle seems to rage more furiously than ever, for the forces of sin, enraged beyond measure at their recent defeats, and baffled by the ever-increasing power of an awakened public conscience, are hurling themselves in frantic desperation against the advancing hosts of righteousness, and are fighting with a grim determination which is worthy of a better cause. In spite of the victories recently won, we need to close up our ranks, consolidate our forces, and present a solid and united front to crush this tremendous counter-offensive. Nay, we must do more; we must ourselves continue to attack, and remain the aggressor, for evil can not fight well on the defensive. We need to keep our shields, but we must not fail to use our swords.

The Church of Jesus Christ makes no apology for its militant activity along these lines. Our Lord and Master came into the world to destroy the works of the devil, and we would be remiss in our duty and unfaithful to our trust if we failed to follow His example. The political corruptionists would be very well pleased for the church to stay out of politics and allow them to perpetrate their abominations without interference, but if we did so we would be as guilty as Saul of Tarsus, who held the coats of those who slew the martyr Stephen. These evil-doers, like the demons whom God drove from the body of the Gadarene demoniac, ask nothing better than to be let alone, but we can not afford to let them alone. If we can drive them out of the body politic into the swine where they belong, then as citizens and Christians it is our duty to do so, and may God give us the power to strike, and strike with invincible might.

The sixteenth day of last January marked a new epoch in American History, and, we confidently believe, inaugurated a new and better era. The Eighteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, and outlawing the legalized saloon, went into effect on that date, thus bringing to a glorious consummation the efforts of many long and weary years, and realizing the hopes and dreams of those noble crusaders of temperance, who fought bravely on when victory seemed a very remote possibility. Let us, who have been privileged to enter this Land of Promise, pay our full measure of devoted praise to the sacred memory of those who were only permitted to view it from the Pisgahs of sublime faith.

The persistent efforts of the wet element of this State, more especially in Baltimore City, to nullify the law, and even to defy the Constitution itself, are little short of anarchistic, and deserve the severest condemnation. We deplore the fact that the Maryland Legislature refused to pass

the concurrent enforcement legislation provided for by the Amendment itself, which would have placed this State in harmony with the United States Government in an honest effort to carry out the provisions of this law. We know that the law will be rigidly enforced in any case by the Federal authorities, but it will be at the expense of Maryland's self respect. We are glad, however, that the reactionary bills, providing for the repudiation of the ratification of the Eighteenth Amendment by the Maryland General Assembly, legalizing the sale of beer, and attempting to join up this state with Rhode Island and New Jersey in anti-prohibition litigation, were so signally defeated. The passage of these bills would have made Maryland the laughing stock of the nation, and we are glad that some of our legislators have the good sense to recognize this fact.

It is a matter of profound regret that Governor Ritchie has seen fit to line up with the liquor interests, and to champion their cause. It is no fault of his that these wet bills were not passed. He has offended the decent citizenship of this State, and he has alienated a multitude of his constituents by his amazing conduct in this particular. We beg to remind the Governor that he is the executive of the whole State as well as of Baltimore City, and though Baltimore may be wet, the grand old State of Maryland has no desire to be classed with Rhode Island and New Jersey in their defiance of the Constitution, and is humiliated by the thought that her Governor stands on the same platform as the notorious Edwards.

We desire to call attention to the abuse of their privileges upon the part of certain unscrupulous physicians who are granting prescriptions for whiskey by the wholesale, and urge a strict investigation of all suspected cases and the punishment of all convicted offenders.

We pledge ourselves anew to do all in our power to support the proper officials in the enforcement of the law, and to stamp out the insidious propaganda of the liquor interests. We call upon our people everywhere to vote only for those candidates for public office who will faithfully promise to stand by our nation's Constitution and laws, and who will give definite assurance of their willingness to help make the Eighteenth Amendment thoroughly effective.

We renew our allegiance to the Anti-Saloon League in the great work which it is doing, and pledge to it our continued support.

We express our confidence in the wise and tactful leadership of the Superintendent, Mr. G. W. Crabbe, and commend the faithful services of his associate, Mr. J. B. Mills. We would not forget to pay our tribute of respect to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which still maintains the high standards and lofty ideals of former years, and continues to work for personal and national purity.

We regard race-track gambling as one of the most flagrant evils of the day, and feel a keen sense of shame in the fact that Maryland is one of the three states of the Union which still tolerate this great iniquity. The Legislature had a splendid opportunity to render a distinct public service by passing the Nettle Anti-Race Track Gambling Bill, but once again political expediency and sordid commercialism prevailed over all moral considerations, and the opportunity was lost. The licensing of the race tracks in return for the revenue derived from them makes the state their sponsor and a partner in their nefarious practices. We favor the

enactment of national legislation by Congress prohibiting all professional racing in the United States, and making gambling a statutory offense. If Maryland will not clean up herself, she will have to be cleaned up by the Federal Government.

The persistent and determined efforts to break down the laws which safeguard the sanctity of the Lord's Day should be a matter of grave concern to all who recognize the Divine authority of the solemn injunction, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." We are glad that the most of the bills introduced in the Legislature to liberalize the Sabbath failed to pass, but we regret that the bill to allow the operation of moving picture shows on Sunday did not meet with a similar fate. No moral question can be satisfactorily settled by referendum, more especially a local referendum. Even the men most interested in the moving picture business are opposed to this bill, and its passage was evidently a sop thrown out to the vicious element of Baltimore City, which has been seeking for so long to drive an entering wedge into the bulwark of our Sunday restrictive laws.

We heartily endorse the Lord's Day Alliance and cordially approve the magnificent work of Dr. W. W. Davis, and his splendid colleague, Dr. Howard Kelly. We assure them of our sympathy and pledge them our support, and we urge our pastors to open their pulpits to them at least once a year for the presentation of this truth. We also recommend that the President of this Conference be authorized and requested to name one minister in each county and legislative district of Baltimore City to co-operate with the Lord's Day Alliance in the conservation of the Sabbath.

We deplore the growing laxity in our marriage laws, and the increasing number of divorces which are granted every year in this country, as well as the ease with which they may be obtained. We believe that the one condition is very largely responsible for the other, and we therefore urge the adoption of uniform marriage and divorce laws throughout the nation as the only practical solution of this problem.

We regret that the press of Baltimore City is usually to be found on the wrong side of every moral question. We have not failed to note, also, a tendency to ridicule the men who have the courage to stand up for the right, and even to sneer at the Church itself because of its activity in behalf of moral and civic righteousness. The Methodists in particular seem to be the especial objects of editorial venom in one or two of our Baltimore papers. Aside from all considerations of journalistic ethics, it hardly seems in keeping with the ordinary principles of good taste and common sense to thus insult thousands of the best and most substantial citizens of this state, upon whom, as well as others of different ideals, the newspapers of Baltimore are dependent for their support. The press, as well as the pulpit, is a potent factor in the moulding of public opinion, and could be made a mighty power for righteousness. We recommend that a committee be appointed to consider the feasibility of establishing a decent daily newspaper in the city of Baltimore, and that this committee

be empowered to solicit the co-operation of the other Protestant denominations in this matter.

We view with shame and disgust the miserable record of the Baltimore delegation in the Legislature on all the moral questions that came before that body, and venture to suggest that the good citizens of this state are not likely to take kindly to the idea of increased representation for Baltimore so long as she continues to send such men to the General Assembly.

Thanking the Lord God of Hosts for the victories already won, and trusting Him for strength and guidance in the future, we are resolved to press forward in His name and carry the battle to the very gates, knowing that righteousness will finally prevail.

J. M. GILL, Chairman,
C. M. ELDERDICE, Secretary,
L. H. BENNETT,
W. O. ATWOOD,
M. A. DAVIS,
J. H. ELLIOTT.

Supplemental Report of the Committee.

The Committee on Moral Reform reports on the paper referred to it as follows:

We recommend that this Conference adopt the following petition and instruct the Secretary to forward it to the Senate and House of Representatives of the National Congress:

To the President, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the United States.

WHEREAS, The unity, justice, tranquility, defence, welfare and liberty of nations, the objects specified in the preamble to the Constitution of the United States, are to be secured by recognizing the authority and obeying the law of Jesus Christ, and

WHEREAS, The enthronement of Jesus Christ as Saviour and King in the life of the people of the United States should be followed, as a consequence, by the acknowledgment of His authority in "the supreme law of the land," therefore,

We respectfully present and urge our petition that the preamble of the National Constitution be amended to read in substance as follows:

WE, THE PEOPLE of the United States, devoutly recognizing the Authority and Law of Jesus Christ, the Saviour and King of nations, and desiring to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Report L

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 34.)

Your committee on Benevolent Agencies have carefully examined the report of the Board of Deaconess Work and suggest observation and consideration of the following facts.

1. The past year has showed marked advance in the march of progress and it is to be emphasized and is gratifying to know that its day of experimental stage has passed, this organization is here and that to stay and the results of its efforts are being felt and seen in every home and community where these splendid young women have gone.

2. Your committee wishes to express appreciation to the churches of the district for their generous benefactions and feel assured that these gifts which are in many ways continuous have very materially aided in its growth, and that through these in part is accounted its commendable progress. Five Hundred dollars has been paid on debt this year.

3. The training school which has so long been one of the visions of the board has become a reality and a regular course of study is prescribed and followed and its effects will surely be seen in a better trained body of Deaconesses.

4. Too much praise can not be given to the present board of managers for their earnest efforts in behalf of this noble and unselfish work.

5. Five members are to be elected at this Conference whose terms according to the time limit have expired. One laywoman, two laymen, and two clergymen.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We recommend that the assessment for the Deaconess Work of \$2500. be continued for this year.

2. We recommend that the pastors keep the matter of the Deaconess Work before their people and urge any whom they may find sufficiently interested to take up the work of the deaconess.

3. The work of Mr. William Schmeiser of the Maryland Tract Society and the Rev. J. H. Hyatt of the Maryland Bible Society is most satisfactory and we heartily commend them to the earnest consideration of the members of this Conference.

4. We endorse and confirm the recommendation of the board for the consecration of the following named young ladies as Deaconesses:

Miss Mary E. Foard.

Miss Sara E. Cullen.

Miss Myrtle Baus.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN, Chairman,
B. F. RULEY, Secretary,
G. H. STOCKSDALE,
A. R. LEWIS,
VANCE MILES,
J. H. WOLF.

Of the Board of Deaconess Work.

The Board of Deaconess Work is pleased to report that the work under its care has been very successful during the past year.

The beautiful and comfortable home on North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland, has proved to be a great blessing to our young, consecrated deaconesses, as well as a much-needed asset to the work of the Board. A good many churches and individuals have continued their liberal donations to the deaconess work, thus supplementing, as they did last year, the sum appropriated for the maintenance of the work. The Board appreciates very much the kindness of those who have come to the aid of this splendid and promising child of the Maryland Annual Conference. The report of the committee on Deaconess Services to the Board shows not only that the deaconesses have done an exceedingly wide and varied work, this past year, but that the committee has endeavored to satisfy every church and pastor needing the services of one of our deaconesses. That we might distribute these young ladies among the churches in the most effective manner, and at the same time permit them to pursue their studies at the Training School, a committee from the Deaconess Board discussed the whole matter with the President of the Conference, and planned that "The Deaconess Training School should begin on October 6th, 1919, and continue to the Christmas Holidays, during which time the deaconesses should serve the churches in and near Baltimore; then the school should suspend to be free for work among the churches outside of Baltimore, in any part of the Annual Conference, during January, February, and March, 1920; and then they should return to the school to pursue their studies during April, May and June, 1920, and to do all the work possible in and near Baltimore."

You can easily see the difficulties which we have had to encounter as we have endeavored to keep the Training School going, and at the same time permit the girls to pursue their chosen work among the churches.

The committee on deaconess services has endeavored to balance the work of our deaconesses, as far as possible, by allowing them to nurse only as long as it was absolutely necessary before changing them back to their regular church or parish work.

We now have only four deaconesses, and we find it impossible to respond to anything like all the calls for their help.

Miss Dot Emmert was called home to nurse her sick parents last Summer, and as far as her home duties would allow she took up work in the Indiana Conference of our church, which is her home conference. Since returning home, her father has died. Miss Emmert proved herself a valuable worker in several of our important fields while among us. We wish her much success in the work of her home conference.

Miss Georgia Mason, of our Christ Church, Atlantic City, New Jersey, is taking the full three year's course in Nursing at the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, and states that she desires to enter the deaconess work in the Maryland Conference as soon as her hospital training is completed.

The Board endeavored to discourage her taking more than the required six month's hospital training, but she was convinced that she would

be of more service to Christ, the church and humanity if she could take the full course.

Miss Lillian N. DeMoss, Miss Mary E. Ford, Miss Sara E. Cullen and Miss Myrtle Baus have all been faithful to the work to which they have consecrated themselves.

They are happy in their work, and deserve the highest praise of the Conference as well as of the Board.

The Board earnestly urges the pastors and delegates of this Conference to do all they can to seek out talented and consecrated young women for the work of deaconesses. The present calls loudly for young women to enter into definite fields of service in our churches, and he who finds one who is both capable and willing to serve Christ and the Church in the Deaconess Work will have done a great service for the Kingdom.

The Board has recommended Miss Mary E. Ford, Miss Sara E. Cullen and Miss Myrtle Baus for consecration at this Conference session, as they have met all the requirements of the law of our church.

The Deaconess Training School, which opened its doors the first Monday in October, 1919, did so with a well-defined, interesting and ample course of studies.

The members of the Faculty are as follows: Rev. J. H. Straughn, D. D., teacher of Theology; Rev. W. H. Litsinger, teacher of Church History; Rev. W. A. Melvin, teacher of Methods of Church Work; Rev. A. S. Beane, teacher of Helps to the Study of the Bible; Rev. J. M. Gill, D. D., teacher of How to Bring People to Christ; and Rev. J. Franklin Bryan, teacher of the Constitution and Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church.

These brethren have been faithful to their work, "without money and without price," and should receive the appreciation of the entire Conference, as we feel sure they do.

The ladies of the Board have been elected a "House Committee," the duty of which is to have entire oversight of the home and the needs thereof, as well as looking after the needs of the deaconesses.

The President, Secretary and Treasurer, with the Committee on Deaconess Services, have been made an "Executive Committee" to attend to matters which present themselves during the interim of the monthly meetings of the Board.

The Board desires to repeat, that, "We are willing to respond to the calls of the pastors and churches from any part of our Annual Conference, and feel sure that these young ladies can do good work in the rural districts as in the towns and in the larger cities."

We have paid \$500.00 on the mortgage on the Home, this year; and it is the desire of the Board, that the remaining mortgage of \$2500.00 should be reduced as rapidly as possible.

We trust that the Annual Conference will continue the present appropriation of \$2500.00, at least, for the ensuing year, though that amount is far too small to meet the needs of the work. Were it not that the churches, and friends of the deaconess work, had given donations for the Home, and contributed money for the use of the Board, we would have had to face a deficit at this time.

The terms of Rev. E. D. Stone, Rev. G. W. Haddaway, D. D., Mr. J. H. Roberts, Mr. E. J. Paige, and Mrs. E. B. Fenby expire at this Conference, and their successors must be elected.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN, President.

A. S. BEANE, Secretary.

Of the Treasurer of the Deaconess Home.

April 9, 1919, To Balance in Bank	\$1761.78
Receipts 1919-1920	2008.36
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	\$3770.14
Disbursements 1919-1920	\$3725.84
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Balance	\$ 44.30

HARRY K. MULLER, Treasurer.

Report M

OFFICIAL RELATIONS.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 49.)

We have examined the official reports of the ministers and preachers and find as a rule they were carefully made. Sixteen not having elected a lady visitor to the Church Home. Nine churches are not incorporated. Twenty-nine did not give Disciplines to new members.

We recommend that the request of P. L. Rice to be left without an appointment for one year be granted. That G. A. Morris be transferred to the Supernumerary Relation. That A. N. Ward be loaned to Kansas City University. That T. R. Woodford be loaned to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. That Dorsey Blake and W. S. Jump be left without appointments at their own request. J. T. Moore has offered his resignation, and in view of his failure to fulfill his obligation to the Conference, we recommend that his name be dropped from the Conference Roll and that the Conference call for the return of his credentials. We recommend that J. R. Wright be continued as Army Chaplain. We recommend the passage of the official character of all the ministers and preachers of the Conference.

The following named charges having paid all assessments in full form the Honor Roll for this year: Accomac, Alexandria, Alnutt Memorial, Bethany, Broadway, Brooklyn, Calvary, Chesaco Park, Christ Church, East Baltimore, Elizabeth, Eutaw, Evergreen, Hampden, Keen Memorial, Lauraville, Lowe Memorial, North Baltimore, Payson Street, South Balti-

more, Starr, St. John's, St. Paul's, Trinity, Texas, Violetville, Waverly, West Baltimore, Wilton Heights, Baltimore Circuit, Bedford, Belair, Buckeystown, Cambridge, Cannon, Caroline, Centreville, Chestertown, Conquest, Crisfield, Lawsonia, Mariners, Cumberland: 1st Church, Mapleside, Melvin Chapel; Deer Creek, Delmar, Delta, Denton, Dorchester, Dover, Easton, Elizabeth, Fawn Grove, Federalsburg, Finksburg, First Church Newark, Frederick, Georgetown, Del., Greenbush & Tasley, Harbeson, Harmony, Harper's Ferry, Harrington, Howard, Hurlock, Kemptown, Kennedyville, Laurel, Leeds, Leipsic, Liberty, Linthicum Heights, Lisbon, Lynchburg, Milford, Milton, New Church, Va., Newmarket, Nichols Memorial, Oak Grove, Oxford, Parksley, Patpasco, Emmanuel, St. Luke's, Taylor Memorial, Pittsville, Pocomoke City, Potomac, Powellville, Quantico, Rowlandville, Salem, Salisbury, Seaford, Sharptown, Snow Hill, St. James, St. Michaels, Trinity, Union, Union Bridge, Wallace Memorial, Cherrydale, First Church, Georgetown, Mt. Tabor, N. C. Avenue, R. I. Avenue, Wesley Chapel of Kent, Westminster, Wilmington, Del., Whaleyville.

The Conference hereby expresses its cordial thanks to the pastor and members of the First Church, Washington, and the ladies for their splendid service in providing the lunch at the noon hour, to the L. C. Smith Company, and to the Burroughs Adding Machine Company, and to the pastor and officials of the Baptist Church and to all others to whom we are indebted for the pleasure and comfort of our session. •

WM. H. LITSINGER,
FRANK HOLLAND,
P. W. CROSBY,
W. H. HARRISON,
W. J. POTTER,
E. L. THOMAS.

Report N

MISSIONS.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 49.)

1. We are grateful to Almighty God for the measure of success which has attended the efforts of our Mission Boards during the year. And the results of the year's work, which we herewith submit for your consideration, will, we feel sure, fill every heart with rejoicing. The wisdom of the Board's taking over our work in China has been satisfactorily demonstrated. Under the supervision of the Board the work is better organized and gives greater promise for the future. We had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Klein on the results of his visit to our mission fields. Dr. Klein tells us that the outlook for our work in China is most encouraging. The Board recently bought seven acres of land at Kalgan next to the city walls. On this land will be erected a boys' school, a home

for missionaries, and a building for medical work. At Kalgan a mission conference was organized of twenty members. Our missions are operating in five countries. We have several churches and chapels in towns and villages, we might explain that a village frequently consists of 100,000 people.

Of Japan, Dr. Klein reports, that for the number of men we have there and for the money expended, no mission shows better results than ours. Our churches and chapels are well located, and extend from Tokio to Nagoya. There is hardly a town where we are not established. The college grounds at Nagoya were enlarged by the purchase in December of one and two-third acres of land. The college had six hundred students last year, which is the full capacity of the college, and two hundred were turned away. Forty-four students were baptized by Drs. Klein and Broomfield when they visited the college. Evangelistic services are held in the college every year by special evangelists.

Of India, Dr. Klein reports, this is in many respects the most promising field of all. The Board owns a beautiful Mission composed of 13½ acres. The government will give us land for a boys' school, and has given 100 acres for a settlement, where converts who are ostracized may get a new start. We have a girls' school and orphanage. Every inmate gives a tithe to be used to care for abandoned children. A boys' school was started in January in a rented building with an attendance of thirty. Here the boys will have a chance to study the mechanical arts. There are two ministers who were ordained by us. We have five preachers and five Bible women and six more in training. There are four more in preparation for teaching. A church was organized with a membership of 112 and 31 were baptised on the deputation's visit.

We recommend the Children's Day program to all our Sunday Schools and urge all the pastors to see that the service is held in schools on their charges.

We wish to make special mention of the success of the plan adopted by the Sunday School of our Eutaw Church, Baltimore. By means of monthly Missionary Rallies, \$841. was raised for missions last year. The school raised the year before \$210., an increase of 300% as a result of a well-organized effort. Christ Church, Baltimore, will adopt the same plan another year.

We rejoice in the success of the Million Dollar Campaign, which will give the Board much needed funds to carry on our present work and extend the work in many places.

The W. F. M. S. has never made a better report than that submitted to us this year. The splendid spirit of enterprise and consecration that marks the labors of our Woman's Society should inspire the women on all the charges of the Conference to organize auxiliaries wherever it is possible. That we will soon have a medical missionary and a trained nurse at work at Kalgan, China, should awaken all over the District a great interest in that work.

The Board of Home Missions reports that they have large plans for the future. They have given Immanuel Church, Philadelphia, \$6,800. for the purchase of a lot and have promised them on their new church a dollar for every dollar they raise up to ten thousand dollars. They have giv-

en \$5000. on a lot in Wilmington, Del., and will spend \$7,500. in Baltimore and \$1000. in Washington. In Indianapolis a church has been completed at a cost of \$47,000. and is owned by the Board. At Fort Worth, Texas, a lot has been purchased and a church will be built on it costing approximately \$30,000. The Board will also build a parsonage at Ravenna, Seattle.

The appropriation from the Million Dollar Campaign Fund will enable the Board to extend its work in many directions which have been contemplated for a long time.

We recommend that an evening be set apart at the next Conference for special consideration of the work of the Mission Boards.

E. H. VAN DYKE, Chairman.

GEORGE HINES, SECRETARY.

Of the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is glad to have the privilege of sending greetings to the Maryland Annual Conference in session in Washington, D. C., and with pleasure submits its report for the year ending March 1, 1920.

Our Heavenly Father has been good to us the past year. We have much for which to be thankful; and we are thankful for what we have been able to accomplish the past year. We have had some new auxiliaries and new members gained and some who had become indifferent have been revived.

We appreciate and are truly grateful for the bequest of \$6500. from Miss Virginia Winfree of Lynchburg, Va. This will meet an urgent need in Nagoya, Japan.

We are still working for an auxiliary on every charge, and every woman of the Church enlisted. The call to "Go Forward" came to us with great force and we are striving to meet it.

We now have "our own" missionary, Miss Alice May Shepherd, a trained nurse, who came from St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, Pa., and is now working in Kalgan, China; Dr. Roberta Fleagle, a medical missionary, will sail on June 1st to join Miss Shepherd; so we feel as though we will have two on the field, as Dr. Fleagle is a Marylander by birth.

We are supporting Bible Readers, Scholarships and Native Teachers in addition to our missionary.

Receipts for the year were \$5704.97 not including the bequest.

MRS. W. E. KINDLEY, Cor. Sec'y.

Of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society appeals to two of the strongest forces governing humanity, Patriotism and Religion. The highest

patriotism to our country and the most devoted religious service to our Heavenly Father unite in this cause.

Again we come to you to tell you what we have been doing in our Home Missionary Society. Each year we feel we are gaining a little stronger foothold in the hearts of our pastors and our people.

The past year has been bright with God's blessings. Four new Auxiliaries have been organized, one at North Baltimore, Christ Church, Eutaw, and Woodenberg. We are striving now to increase and multiply our membership many fold. And this coming year we want to organize in your church. Will you help us?

Without the cooperation of the pastors we cannot organize. A missionary church is always a live church.

We have three special interests in our work. Pine Ridge, Pittsburgh Mission, and North Carolina Orphanage.

Pittsburgh Mission is supported mostly by Pittsburgh Branch. North Carolina Orphanage by North Carolina. Pine Ridge by all the Branches. At Pine Ridge we own four dwellings, the school and chapel and one hundred acres of land. I had the pleasure three years ago to visit Pine Ridge and I shall never forget how those people walked miles over mountains every night to attend service. One man in particular, who had been a very wicked man, we pleaded with to become a Christian. The last night he came in the church looking so happy and wanted to give in his experience at once. He said he had prayed all day and all the way over to church, and when he reached the highest mountain he felt that he was nearer God and he knelt and prayed and God answered his prayer and he found Jesus.

We could also learn lessons in hospitality from them. They are most cordial in their homes, insist that you stay all night, even though they only have one room and one bed.

They appreciate so much what we are doing for them.

Dr. and Mrs. Woodford with the assistance of Miss Jewitt are doing a splendid work there. It has become necessary to employ Mr. W. N. Anderson to take charge of general work on the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will live in the Boy's Dormitory, so that Mrs. Anderson can make a home for our boys in the school.

The needs are quite different from a few years back. Then the mountaineers needed financial help, but now so many have found oil on their rocky acres and are engaged in some of the activities of making money. They are very anxious to be educated. The majority of them are very illiterate and our school is the only school in a great distance, so you see what an opportunity for service.

But most of all they need Christ, and now is the time to win them. There is another class, the cliftdwellers, back in the interior on the side of the mountain away from railroad, church and school, whose conditions of life are deplorable. These we are also trying to reach and help in every way possible.

Maryland Branch is trying to do her part in this work. We only have nine auxiliaries. How many pastors will help have their church counted in before the next session of the Maryland Annual Conference and thus help make the hard places smooth for the missionaries who have gone to

carry the message that our Christ may be known in all our native land and the coming of His Kingdom may be hastened?

MRS. E. A. CRAIG, President.

MRS. ELLA B. MARLEY, Secretary.

Report O

CHURCH HOME.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 43.)

Your committee submits the following report:

We note with gratitude the splendid condition of the Home, the excellent care of its inmates, and the general good health of all. It is a great satisfaction to note that no deaths have occurred during the year.

We deplore the fact that only seventy-nine pastors have had lady visitors appointed from their charges; and recommend that every minister in the Conference be urged to attend to this important matter. We believe that a lady visitor from each charge would add largely to creating a deeper interest in the Home throughout the district.

Twenty-seven churches have sent donations to the Home during the year, making an increase of one over last year. We commend this spirit of the churches and recommend its continuance and increase. In order to bring this to pass it will be necessary for the different charge to give the matter more publicity through their pastors and lady visitors. We recommend that this be done.

A handsome Victrola and records have been placed in the Home by some kind friends to help brighten the latter days of its inmates. The request of the board of lady visitors that records be donated is timely, and we suggest that the request be complied with.

The Treasurer's report shows that owing to the high cost of living and the making of some necessary improvements during the year, the income of the Home from all sources has not been sufficient to meet the expenses, and that Three Thousand Dollars has had to be drawn from the invested fund to do this. Your committee therefore recommends that the assessment for this year be Six Thousand Dollars instead of Five Thousand Dollars as last year. The committee further recommends that the entrance fee remain the same as at present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. WARD, Chairman,
W. L. HOFFMAN, Secretary,
C. R. STRAUSBURG,
I. S. JORDAN,
W. E. BURALL,
J. N. WARFIELD, JR.

Of the Board of Lady Visitors.

The Ladies Board of The Home for the Aged submits the following report:

It is most gratifying to us to report our old folks in very good health, with but few exceptions. This is remarkable at their advanced age; two of the ladies are 89 years old! The Matron has taken splendid care of them during the very severe winter, and she is to be commended for her untiring efforts in their behalf. She is not at all well, neither is her assistant, Miss Stewart, but they stoically perform their duties at all times.

This Home is a delightful place to live. It is a model of cleanliness and order, no matter when we go there. A great improvement in living conditions was made by the change of dining-room. While the family stayed about the same in number, the small dining-room answered all purposes, but, with it constantly increasing, we decided to occupy the large room, which was built originally for this contingency. It is a large, bright, airy room; ideal for a dining-room. It was papered with funds donated for this purpose.

We have made few repairs this year, owing to the prohibitive cost of both labor and materials. The large bedroom, formerly occupied by Mrs. Baile, has been papered and fitted out with two single beds, which will now accommodate two guests.

The Home is taxed almost to its capacity at present. Four ladies and one gentleman were taken in on probation the past year. The ladies were admitted as permanent inmates at the end of a satisfactory probation; but the gentleman, being ineligible, was discharged. There are now 21 inmates; and, with the Matron, her assistant, a colored boy and girl, our household numbers 25. We have three applications under consideration, which, if accepted, will leave no vacancies. All applications are filed in order of their receipt, and are acted upon in turn as a vacancy occurs.

Both furnaces are in need of repairs, and Miss Murray has had a hard struggle with them this winter. The parts were ordered last summer, but did not arrive before the time to start the fire. It is most urgent that they be thoroughly overhauled and put in condition during the summer.

A card was sent to each pastor last Spring, asking for the name of the Lady Visitor from each Church; 79 responded, leaving 60 yet to hear from. Why this request should be ignored as if unimportant, we cannot understand. This is the second appeal we have made in this matter, as the first list was incomplete, and several vacancies occurred through death, with no name of successor sent. We are confident that a Lady Visitor in each Church will benefit The Home in every way, especially in stirring up interest in our needs, and in added thoughtfulness of these old folks who have been intrusted to our care.

They were treated to a very enjoyable surprise at Easter-time. A party of friends from Mt. Lebanon Church motored from Baltimore and spent the afternoon with them. They brought ice-cream, cake, and chocolate eggs for all. After refreshments, a delightful social hour followed.

An afternoon like this means so much to them, as they have so little in their lives, and it should be a great pleasure to our Church people to contribute to their entertainment and happiness as well as to their bodily needs. Let's have more of these!

Another pleasant occasion was an evening spent in entertaining the Deaconesses of our Church during their sojourn on College Hill. The Ladies' Board helped the ladies of The Home in receiving them and showing them through the house.

Weekly prayer meetings are conducted at The Home by the young men of the Seminary which all enjoy, especially those who are not able to attend Church. The young ladies from the College pay regular social visits to The Home, bringing lots of fun and sunshine to these shut-ins.

Annual Visitors' Day was held July 30th, during the Summer Conference, and was a success in every way. Quite a number of Lady Visitors and Pastors were present, also many friends of The Home. Luncheon was served to 116. The Ladies' Board prepares and serves this luncheon each year, which prevents their mingling with the guests as much as they would like. If some of the Lady Visitors living nearby would come early and help us out in this matter, we would all become better acquainted and have a more sociable time together.

The Christmas season was made bright and joyous for the Old Folks by their many generous friends. Each one received a treat of fruit, candy and a dollar bill, besides the other many good things of the season. They had expressed a wish for a Victrola; so, through the efforts of several interested friends, sufficient money was raised to give them a handsome Victrola and records. It was delivered Christmas Eve, and they were so surprised and delighted! You can imagine how they enjoyed it, especially during the long, cold winter, when it is impossible for them to venture out. They would appreciate a donation of records—will our friends kindly send them some? Perhaps some of our Church people have records they are tired of—these will be just as acceptable as new ones.

The donations from individuals and Churches this year have surpassed those of the past in every way. They were substantial and suitable to the needs of The Home; thereby enabling us to provide much better fare than it would be possible without them. Our bills are large, but they would be much larger if it were not for these splendid donations—for instance, we have had sufficient flour donated for all purposes for several years past, which is a big saving in such a large family.

We have endeavored to thank all friends for their kindness in sending donations, but if we have missed anyone, we take this opportunity of thanking them and hope they will not think us ungrateful, as it is almost impossible to avoid making mistakes when so many barrels and boxes arrive at once, especially at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Several Churches far off sent donations of money instead of supplies, with suggestions how to use it. This is a good idea, as it costs a good deal to send supplies such a distance, and there is danger of freezing enroute.

The donations include jarred fruit and vegetables, canned goods, groceries, flour, sugar, candy, fresh fruit and vegetables, hams, fowl, oysters, beef, butter, lard, cakes, pickles, butchering, and money.

The following Churches sent donations: Keen Memorial, Brookville, Nichols Memorial, Woodensburg, St. Johns, Sandy Mount, Harmony, Bel-air, Parksley, Central, Milton, St. James, Salem Church of Prince George, Fawn Grove, Uniontown, Salem, Quinton, Liberty, Johnsville, Taylor Memorial, Cambridge, Georgetown, D. C., Union Bridge, Christ Church of Laurel, Reliance, Deer Park, West Baltimore.

In conclusion, we have reason to repeat our suggestion of last year that it would be to the best interest of The Home if the Conference should see fit to increase the entrance fee to \$500.00.

Respectfully,

The Board of Lady Visitors,
 MRS. CHAS. BILLINGSLEA, President,
 MRS. DENTON S. GEHR, Vice-President,
 MRS. CARROLL ALBAUGH, Recording Secy.
 MRS. T. H. LEWIS, Corresponding Secy.,
 MRS. GEO. K. MATHER,
 MRS. J. PEARRE WANTZ,
 MRS. H. L. ELDERDICE.

Of the Treasurer.

President & Members of the
 Maryland Annual Conference,
 Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

I hand you herewith my itemized Report, as Treasurer of The Home for The Aged, for the year 1919-1920, showing receipts of \$5774.26 and expenditures of \$5473.90, leaving a balance on hand of \$300.36.

I would call your attention to the fact that again we have been required to draw \$3,000.00 from the Invested Funds in order to meet the increased demands; and in my report last year I asked that the assessment be raised to \$5,000.00 and this amount was given, but you will readily see that the cost of running the Home far exceeded that amount, and our Board does not believe that we can keep within these bounds during the coming year, and respectfully suggest that the assessment for the coming year be increased \$1,000.00, or a total amount of \$6,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PEARRE WANTZ,
 Treasurer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

1919.

March 12, Balance at the close of Conference year	\$ 11.63
March 20, Cash Donation Kate Murray	1.00
March 20, Rev. I. S. Owens	4.00

March 20, Rev. S. F. Cassen	17.00
March 27, Burrier Cookson, Uniontown, Md.	9.00
March 31, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	248.59
March 31, Ladies Aid Society, Finksburg, Md.	15.00
March 31, C. R. Skiffen, Chestertown, Md.	5.00
April 9, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	1437.41
May 17, Cash drawn from Interest account	500.00
May 28, Avery Donovan, Chestertown, Md.	5.00
June 23, Cash from Interest account	500.00
June 26, St. James Church, Kent Co., Md.	5.00
July 2, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	109.71
July 17, Rev. Carl H. Wareheim	5.21
July 30, Cash from Interest account	500.00
Aug. 1, Mrs. Dashiell, Laurel, Md.	10.00
Aug. 2, Rev. W. S. Simms, Falling Waters, W. Va.	18.00
Aug. 7, Cash from Lady Board of Visitors	6.75
Aug. 28, Refund Lady Board of Visitors	18.75
Aug. 28, Donation Perry Hitchcock	3.00
Sept. 11, Refund from Red Men for clothes for I. Brooks	16.45
Sept. 13, Carl H. Warehime, Union Bridge, Md.	5.04
Sept. 16, St. James Church, Kent Co., Md.	4.60
Sept. 17, St. Johns Church, Baltimore, Md., Donation	100.00
Sept. 27, Rebate Miss Scharf	1.35
Oct. 3, Cash from Interest account	500.00
Oct. 22, Donation Mrs. Emma Zepp	2.00
Nov. 5, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	89.00
Nov. 8, Joseph Brandenburg, Deer Park Circuit	5.00
Dec. 1, Cash from Interest account	500.00
Dec. 3, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	60.00
Dec. 4, Freight refund Parksley, Va.	5.50
Dec. 5, Donation for Thanksgiving Turkey, B. F. Fuller	8.88
Dec. 8, Carl H. Warehime, Union Bridge, Md.	3.21
Dec. 8, Cash returned by Matron .....	.75
Dec. 10, Thanksgiving Offering St. John's Church	10.14
Dec. 13, H. O. Keen, Philadelphia, Pa.	3.48
Dec. 13, Cash Donation from a friend.....	1.50
Dec. 18, Libertytown Charge	4.35
Dec. 20, Western Maryland College Sunday School	2.50
Dec. 26, Mrs. W. A. Miller	3.00
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Jan. 2, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	264.00
Jan. 6, Miss E. G. Blades	5.00
Jan. 12, Ella B. Scheele, Washington, D. C.	10.00
Jan. 12, W. S. Nock, Salisbury, Md.	5.00
Jan. 12, M. P. Sunday School, Laurel, Del.	10.00
Jan. 12, White Gifts from Union Bridge, Md.	10.50
Jan. 15, Refund of Freight from Currey, Va.	2.61
Jan. 26, E. J. Adkins	2.00
Jan. 31, St. James Church, Kent Co., Md.	5.00
Feb. 2, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	66.00

Feb. 5, Cash from Interest account	500.00
Feb. 17, Abbie M. Benjamin, North East, Md.	25.00
Feb. 18, Ladies Aid Society, Deer Park Circuit	10.35
Mar. 2, Rev. E. T. Read, Westminster, Md.	72.00
Mar. 3, C. P. Nowlin, Treasurer	20.00
March 3, Fawn Grove M. P. Church	10.00

Total Receipts for the Year\$5774.26

Disbursements.

C. V. Rebert & Harry Geiman, Lard	\$ 31.59
Mrs. D. S. Gehr & Ira Young, Eggs	36.54
Mrs. Himler & H. J. Essick, Chickens	40.09
Mrs. Emma Zepp, Potatoes	98.00
J. D. Crowl, Ice Cream	32.85
Morris Mitten, Bread	215.53
C. V. Rebert, Butter	201.30
Howard E. Koontz, Milk	224.50
Geo. R. Grumbine, Meat	615.38
Geo. R. Grumbine, Groceries	344.47
Geo. B. Shriner & O. C. Corbin, Groceries	481.93
Geo. N. Hunter, Groceries	210.58
Wm. N. Keefer, Groceries	85.77
Westminster Ice Co., Ice	55.32
Cash Purchases at Home by Matron, Meat & Groceries	255.00
Consolidated Utilities Co., Gas	16.85
Consolidated Utilities Co., Electric Light	65.84
Consolidated Utilities Co., Elec. Supplies	11.18
Consolidate Utilities Co., Water	96.23
Joseph B. Boyle, Drugs	60.60
T. W. Mather & Sons, Supplies	124.44
D. S. Gehr, Hardware	138.70
A. J. Arbaugh, Laundry	108.00
R. N. Snader & Little & Weller, Laundry	329.42
Lumber Coal & Supply Co., Coal & Wood	172.20
Smith & Reifsnider, Coal	251.46
C. & P. Telephone Co., Telephone	24.15
J. N. Powell, et al., Outside Help	29.20
Colored Help in House	333.25
Kate Murray & Miss Amanda, Salaries	384.00
American Express Co., Express	4.45
Chas. B. Hunter, Dry Wells	127.12
E. O. Grimes, Hauling	8.50
Mrs. Jump, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Beaver, Interest	45.36
Westminster Cemetery Co., care of Lot	5.00
Dr. L. K. Woodward, Services	60.50
W. S. Arbaugh, Painting	10.50
Post Office Department, Envelopes	11.28
Democratic Advocate Co., Printing	3.00

Matthews & Myers, Papering	60.35
Maryland Casualty Company, Treasurer's Bond	12.50
Westminster Hardware Co., Repairs	30.42
W. H. Shaffer & Son, Clothes	5.00
Drs. Myers, Dentist	5.00
Carroll County Fire Ins. Co., Insurance	4.55
S. C. Krouse, Photographs	6.00
March 10, Balance on hand at close of this year	300.36
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	\$5774.26

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

March 12, Balance as shown by last report to Conference	\$ 724.29
March 14, Bequest from the Estate of E. A. Cormcell	300.00
April 30, Entrance Fee, Sarah Phile	300.00
May 10, Entrance Fee and Cash, Virginia Fox	600.00
June 23, Interest Elkhorn Coal Bond	30.00
July 30, Entrance Fee and cash, S. H. Bowen	400.00
July 30, Interest Cons. Coal Co. Bonds	120.00
Sept. 13, Entrance Fee, Mrs. C. V. Baum	300.00
Oct. 11, Entrance fee and cash, David Bare	400.00
Dec. 1, Interest Elkhorn Coal Co. Bond	30.00
Dec. 1, Interest on Deposit from Union National Bank	33.35
Jan. 17, Legacy Virginia Winfree	1000.00
Feb. 1, Interest Con. Coal Co. Bonds	120.00
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Total Receipts	\$4357.64

Disbursements.

May 17, Amount check to General Account	\$ 500.00
June 23, Amount check to General Account	500.00
July 30, Amount check to General Account	500.00
Oct. 3, Amount check to General Account	500.00
Dec. 1, Amount check to General Account	500.00
Feb. 5, Amount check to General Account	500.00
Feb. 13, Entrance fee and cash refunded to D. Bare	323.00
Mar. 10, Cash Balance on Hand	1034.64
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	\$4357.64

The Investments belonging to the Home for the Aged remain the same as my last Report, consisting of \$4,000.00 6% Consolidation Coal Company Bonds and \$1,000.00 6% Elk Horn Coal Corporation Bond.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PEARRE WANTZ,

Treasurer.

We the undersigned on auditing committee appointed by the President to examine the accounts of James Pearre Wantz, Treasurer of The Home for the Aged, beg to advise that we have carefully examined all the accounts of said Treasurer, and have found them correct in every respect, and supported by the proper vouchers.

Respectfully,

T. W. MATHER,
F. K. HERR,
E. O. GRIMES.

Report P

AUDIT.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, pages 46, 50.)

June 30th, 1919.

Maryland Annual Conference:

Your committee have examined as far as it could the Cash and Disbursements accounts in the Conference Treasurer's Report, and found the same to be correct. After making a careful examination on the above date, of all items and found them correct in every particular. All money has been duly accounted for and properly disbursed.

On the above date the balance in hand in the First National Bank, Havre de Grace, Md., was \$586.79 with outstanding checks to the amount of \$224.00, leaving a balance to the credit of the Conference Treasurer of \$362.79.

H. S. JOHNSON,
G. A. OGG,
W. W. SMITH.

Of the Committee for Session 1920.

Your committee has carefully examined the reports of the Agent of the President's Parsonage, the Treasurer of Church Extension Society, and find these reports correct.

The Conference Secretary is unable to find and submit his vouchers at this time, but we are confident that they are correct.

The Treasurer of the Conference and Forward Movement Commission have not been able to submit their reports as yet, but when they do, we beg the privilege of auditing same after Conference, and of submitting the report of audit at the next session of Conference.

H. S. JOHNSON,
A. W. EWELL,
W. W. SMITH.

Report Q

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

(Journal, page 23.)

To the Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Brethren:

The program committee met at the Book Rooms in February and the result of their conclusions is found in the printed program ready for distribution.

1. Because of the simultaneous meeting of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church; the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and our own Conference, your committee has entered into preliminary arrangements for a union ordination service of the three Conferences in Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon and recommends that we unite in this service.

2. No provision is made for a Conference session Thursday evening, the committee thinking it wise to unite in a union Asbury Memorial service, under direction of the Asbury Memorial Association, in Mt. Vernon Methodist Episcopal Church, South, that evening, and accordingly recommends our participation.

3. Arrangements have also been completed with the pastor and members of First Church for a Forward Movement supper in the basement of the church Thursday evening from six to eight o'clock. Tickets will cost seventy-five cents and the attendance will be limited to 200. Details of arrangements will be announced by the pastor of the church.

Submitted,

JAMES H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

Report R

ON CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS.

(Journal, page 38.)

Your Committee on Conference Arrangements respectfully reports that the Conference, having accepted the invitation of our First Church, Washington, D. C., to hold its present session in that church, has relieved the committee of any special work in providing for the meeting.

We have, however, acting for the Conference, agreed to recommend the payment from the Conference funds of an amount not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.) to the committee of First Church to reimburse said church for certain sums expended in work made necessary for the proper accommodation of the Conference, and we do hereby so recommend.

L. F. WARNER,

President of the Conference.

F. T. LITTLE,

Chairman of the Standing District Committee.

Report S

THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY.

(Journal, page 27.)

The Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the Methodist Protestant Church in Baltimore City respectfully submits its report for the year ending with the 31st of March, 1920.

There have been no changes in the Board of Directors or in the relations of the Society to the educational institutions of the church during the year.

The income of the Henrietta Gibson Fund has been promptly turned over to the Treasurer of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary for the training of young men for the ministry.

The usual sum of five hundred dollars placed at our disposal annually by the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference, as the Trustees of the Drinkhouse Trust Estate, has likewise been expended in the training of young men for our ministry in the Seminary at Westminster, in accordance with the terms imposed upon such beneficiaries by the will of Dr. Drinkhouse.

F. T. LITTLE, President.

J. W. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

Report T

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT COMMISSION.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, pages 28, 36.)

I. Activities.

The Forward Movement Commission has addressed itself to making effective the great campaigns projected by the denomination for the year, viz.: "The Million Dollar Campaign" and "The Increased Membership Campaign."

THE MILLION DOLLAR CAMPAIGN.

In accordance with the action of the last session of the Conference the Forward Movement Commission met immediately upon the adjournment of the Conference and organized for the purpose of raising \$250,000 for the General Boards and Benevolent Institutions of the church. An office was opened in the Book Rooms, a stenographer was employed, a telephone and equipment were installed and the President of the Conference began his work as Chairman of the Commission in active direction of the campaign. To this task he gave his entire time until its successful consummation. The Commission had been enlarged and a Headquarters Committee was selected with power to make immediate decisions. All the machinery authorized at the last Conference was utilized. As the campaign progressed new methods were initiated and used. The ministers and laymen of the Conference gave much service in the flying squad-

rons, as minute men and as special speakers in different churches where help was needed. Much printed matter was received from the central office in Pittsburgh. Special circulars were printed with particular adaptation to our own Conference. Space was liberally given in the Methodist Protestant. Nothing that could be suggested to make the Campaign a success was neglected. No labor was spared by those directing the work. When the final subscriptions were received the aggregate was \$264,779, of which \$192,706 has been paid. A list of the charges with apportionments, subscriptions and payments is attached. While the Headquarters Committee were liberal in meeting all necessary expenses they were also most economical and the expenses of the campaign in Maryland was only \$1201.55. This amount was approved and has been paid by the Central Campaign Committee in Pittsburgh.

INCREASED MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

The Forward Movement Commission organized for the "Increased Membership Campaign" and began to work out the plans immediately after the end of the summer vacation period. This campaign received great impetus in a day of Consecration and Prayer in the North Baltimore Church in which all attending ministers received traveling expenses. This meeting was held on September 23, 1919 and the Sunday following was appointed as a Day of Consecration within all the churches. A number of simultaneous rallies were held in the districts of the Conference during the week of October 21-24, 1919 with many ministers and laymen as speakers. Much appropriate literature was published and distributed. In this campaign the Methodist Protestant played a telling part. All was done that could be suggested to make the campaign a success. Because of local conditions it was not possible to have all the revivals at the same time. It is very difficult, if not impossible, to tabulate results in a work of this kind. The committee apportioned 6000 new members among the different charges as goals for them to reach. The list appended shows the increase of members during the quadrennium for each charge and the goals and accessions for this year.

Your Commission did not think that it would be wise to use the money raised in the Million Dollar Campaign to finance the Increased Membership Campaign and sent its judgment on this matter to the Central Campaign Committee in Pittsburgh. It then asked each charge to make a contribution to the expenses of the campaign. The amounts asked for and received from each charge is noted in the Treasurer's Report attached.

L. F. WARNER,
J. M. GILL,
FRANK T. BENSON,
JULIAN P. DODGE,
H. L. ELDERDICE,
R. L. SHIPLEY,
G. I. HUMPHREYS,
J. H. STRAUGHN,
G. W. HADDAWAY.

II. Recommendations.

This Conference expresses regret that it is called to pass upon so large a project as the financial campaign of the Inter-Church World Movement in the absence of any authoritative expression of the Methodist Protestant Church. The representatives of our various General Boards have adopted the campaign and this Annual Conference is the only one before which it will come. In view of this anomalous situation the Conference must express itself without that guidance that the decision of our General Conference could furnish.

The discussion has revealed pronounced opposition as well as enthusiastic support on the part of members of this Conference. But we all unite in the following declarations:

1. We earnestly desire to align ourselves with this movement in the great aim it avows, to discover the needs of the world and to extend the Kingdom of Christ unto the complete relief of those needs.

2. We declare our devotion to the great doctrine of this movement, that Christian men and Christian property belong to Christ, and that they must not be withheld to any degree when the Spirit of Christ indicates that the world needs them. Not only one-tenth but all was our Lord's response and must be ours when less will not avail.

3. We therefore propose to the ministers and Churches of the Maryland Conference, a great, Christlike, free-will offering to this movement, and urge upon them all an earnest co-operation in the effort to raise in a united campaign beginning April 25th and ending May 1st, the sum of our Annual Conference budget for General Conference interests amounting to \$22,000. and the sum of an additional \$165,000. needed to raise the total of our Church contribution to this campaign of one million dollars.

4. In view of our recent campaign and the generous postponement of many of our Churches last year of pressing local interests, we do not feel that these amounts, particularly the last item, should be charged upon our Churches as an assessment. But it should nevertheless be accepted in the spirit of liberality, of consecration and of hope, as a service owed to humanity and our Lord.

Particularly do we suggest to pastors that we have no right to limit in advance by our fears, the willingness of our laymen. We should rather go before them encouraging them that Christ has promised greater things than we have yet seen if our faith fail not.

We therefore direct the Forward Movement Committee of this Conference to prepare and forward to each pastor and pastoral charge of this district the proportionate amount they are asked to contribute to this offering.

T. H. LEWIS.

Treasurer's Report.

Receipts.	April 10th, 1920.
Borrowed to meet Organization Expense	\$ 900.00
Received from various charges	893.85
Special Contribution from Friend	250.00
Total Receipts	\$2043.85

Disbursements.

Part of Loan Paid	\$ 200.00	
Sundry Expenses	1197.32	\$1397.32
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		\$ 646.53

Liability.

Treasurer's Note due at Bank	\$ 700.00
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W. C. SCOTT, Treasurer.

MILLION DOLLAR CAMPAIGN.

Charges	Quota	Pledges	Paid
Accomac	\$2500.00	\$2500.00	\$1695.00
Alexandria	800.00	800.00	283.00
Amelia	800.00	833.00	650.00
Baltimore:			
Alnut	5000.00	5753.00	5224.00
Bethany	800.00	506.00	242.00
Broadway	1000.00	1470.00	1086.00
Brooklyn	2000.00	2169.00	2086.00
Calvary	1500.00	1514.00	1130.00
Chesaco Park	100.00	201.00	100.00
Christ Church	3000.00	4800.00	3741.00
East Baltimore	1800.00	1800.00	826.00
Eutaw	2000.00	2169.00	1524.00
Evergreen	1000.00	1248.00	750.00
Hampden	4000.00	6000.00	6000.00
Keen Memorial	1800.00	800.00	100.00
Laura ville	800.00	810.00	635.00
Lowe Memorial	3000.00	3200.00	2600.00
North Baltimore	5000.00	10490.00	9010.00
Payson Street	350.00	522.00	390.00
South Baltimore	2000.00	2000.00	
Starr	5000.00	6400.00	3000.00
St. John's	5000.00	10000.00	7500.00
St. Paul's	1800.00	1849.00	100.00
Trinity	500.00	526.00	
Violetville	500.00	800.00	681.00
Waverly	100.00	215.00	150.00
West Baltimore	4000.00	6120.00	4600.00
Wilton Heights	2000.00	2072.00	945.00
Baltimore Circuit	1800.00	1800.00	1609.00
Bedford	2000.00	968.00	620.00
Bivalve	1500.00	1000.00	
Belair	2000.00	1434.00	1343.00
Buckeystown	5000.00	5031.00	5029.00
Cambridge	2000.00	2200.00	900.00

Charges	Quota	Pledges	Paid
Cannon	800.00	800.00	342.00
Caroline	1800.00	1200.00	891.00
Cecil	1500.00	208.00	81.00
Centreville	1000.00	1080.00	750.00
Chestertown	5000.00	5075.00	3847.00
Chincoteague	1000.00	300.00	—
Clayton	1800.00	1800.00	750.00
Concord	1800.00	610.00	276.00
Conquest	800.00	800.00	756.00
Crisfield:			
Crisfield	4000.00	4000.00	3240.00
Lawsonia	300.00	300.00	147.00
Mariner's	1500.00	900.00	727.00
Crumpton	400.00	350.00	229.00
Cumberland:			
First Church	2000.00	2150.00	1710.00
Mapleside	500.00	364.00	196.00
Melvin Chapel	400.00	490.00	209.00
Deer Creek	1000.00	725.00	685.00
Deer Park	1500.00	1050.00	641.00
Delmar	1500.00	1270.00	800.00
Delta	1600.00	1615.00	1162.00
Denton	2000.00	2069.00	1322.00
Dorchester	1800.00	994.00	400.00
Dover	800.00	956.00	910.00
Easton	3000.00	3015.00	2150.00
Elizabeth	1500.00	800.00	296.00
Fairfax	800.00	605.00	460.00
Fawn Grove	2000.00	2739.00	1854.00
Federalsburg	1200.00	1200.00	375.00
Felton	800.00	262.00	74.00
Finksburg	2500.00	3000.00	2500.00
First Church, Newark	6000.00	8676.00	7919.00
Franklin City	1600.00	1407.00	1014.00
Frederick	1800.00	1000.00	1438.00
Georgetown	1500.00	740.00	86.00
Georgetown Circuit	500.00	300.00	—
Greenbush & Tasley	1000.00	1000.00	550.00
Greenwood	1500.00	1625.00	1500.00
Grove	1000.00	245.00	—
Harbeson	600.00	95.00	95.00
Harmony	600.00	610.00	610.00
Harper's Ferry	1300.00	950.00	776.00
Harrington	2000.00	2150.00	1617.00
Howard	2000.00	2550.00	2126.00
Hurlock	1600.00	2500.00	1832.00
Indian River	500.00	5.00	—
Kemptown	2500.00	2642.00	2509.00
Kennedyville	1200.00	1200.00	800.00

Charges	Quota	Pledges	Paid
Kent Island	1500.00	1500.00	1250.00
Laurel	4000.00	4000.00	2000.00
Laurel Circuit	1500.00	1500.00	210.00
Leeds	1500.00	1195.00	975.00
Leipsic	800.00	817.00	800.00
Lewes	400.00	—	—
Lewistown	500.00	195.00	36.00
Liberty	1200.00	1200.00	806.00
Linthicum Heights	1500.00	1500.00	500.00
Lisbon	2500.00	2500.00	2250.00
Lynchburg	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00
Mardela	1500.00	1556.00	655.00
Marley	200.00	100.00	42.00
Middleway	100.00	—	—
Milford	2500.00	2628.00	1700.00
Milton	1400.00	630.00	542.00
Mt. Nebo	1400.00	1410.00	384.00
New Church	2000.00	2030.00	2039.00
New Market	2400.00	2410.00	2300.00
Nichols Memorial	1000.00	1000.00	495.00
Northumberland	1800.00	800.00	400.00
Oak Grove & Prince George	1300.00	487.00	467.00
Oxford	1800.00	1525.00	1538.00
Parksley	2000.00	2110.00	2014.00
Patapsco	200.00	200.00	149.00
Philadelphia:			
St. Luke's	2500.00	2580.00	1000.00
Taylor Memorial	2000.00	2000.00	2000.00
Emmanuel	500.00	800.00	470.00
Pipe Creek	2000.00	1985.00	1900.00
Pittsville	2000.00	2019.00	1047.00
Pocomoke Circuit	1000.00	847.00	615.00
Pocomoke City	3000.00	3350.00	2726.00
Potomac	1600.00	2700.00	1800.00
Powellville	1400.00	1400.00	300.00
Quantico	400.00	250.00	101.00
Queen Anne	1000.00	820.00	615.00
Reliance	1600.00	1000.00	556.00
Rowlandville	500.00	500.00	354.00
Salem	800.00	1019.00	896.00
Salisbury	5000.00	6090.00	5432.00
Seaford	2500.00	2500.00	1700.00
Selbyville	300.00	300.00	153.00
Sharptown	1800.00	1532.00	703.00
Snow Hill	2000.00	2100.00	1485.00
Stewartstown	2200.00	1676.00	1684.00
St. James	2500.00	2500.00	1960.00
St. Michaels	1500.00	1500.00	1137.00
Susquehanna	2200.00	1800.00	1481.00

Charges	Quota	Pledges	Paid
Trinity	2200.00	2200.00	1791.00
Tyreanna	100.00	—	32.00
Texas	300.00	318.00	300.00
Union	1800.00	1900.00	1625.00
Union Bridge	1000.00	1041.00	1025.00
Wallace Memorial	1000.00	500.00	500.00
Warwick	1200.00	786.00	467.00
Washington:			
Cherrydale	1200.00	1330.00	—
First Church	1800.00	2025.00	1350.00
Georgetown	2500.00	2752.00	2050.00
Mt. Tabor	12.00	1253.00	610.00
N. C. Avenue	2200.00	2237.00	1100.00
R. I. Avenue	5000.00	7500.00	6925.00
Wesley Chapel of Kent	1200.00	1200.00	1093.00
Westminster	4000.00	5000.00	3964.00
Wilmington	500.00	845.00	622.00
West Wilmington	300.00	—	—
Whaleyville	1200.00	1051.00	479.00
Wye	1000.00	758.00	374.00
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		\$264779.00	\$192706.00

INCREASED MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

Charge	Membership 1917	Membership 1920	Goals of 1920	Accessions in 1920
Accomac	399	416	50	17
Alexandria	97	144	20	14
Amelia	200	159	40	12
Alnutt	534	452	75	28
Bethany	74	85	25	7
Broadway	253	164	20	10
Brooklyn	158	196	40	15
Calvary	287	357	30	26
Chesaco Park	12	71	20	2
Christ Church	600	702	80	59
East Baltimore	182	189	30	42
Eutaw	174	239	30	52
Evergreen	136	132	20	4
Hampden	854	876	100	100
Keen Memorial	215	204	25	17
Lauraville	153	124	30	10
Lowe Memorial	360	525	80	78
North Baltimore	205	219	30	17
Payson Street	81	82	30	10
South Baltimore	202	255	50	18
Starr	356	443	80	53

Charge	Membership 1917	Membership 1920	Goals of 1920	Accessions in 1920
St. John's	369	428	80	49
St. Paul's	260	300	50	47
Trinity	—	75	20	31
Violetville	68	94	15	19
Waverly	90	65	25	52
West Baltimore	445	528	80	42
Wilton Heights	227	257	50	10
Baltimore Circuit	284	298	50	26
Bedford	325	335	80	66
Belair	269	250	42	3
Bivalve	201	196	30	4
Buckeystown	336	233	40	32
Cambridge	342	370	60	30
Cannon	115	144	25	5
Caroline	189	192	50	25
Cecil	213	305	25	14
Centreville	140	140	20	—
Chestertown	332	354	75	9
Chincoteague	102	80	30	—
Clayton	335	210	50	24
Concord	385	267	50	7
Conquest	158	132	50	12
Crisfield	448	463	80	28
Lawsonia	—	68	30	12
Mariner's	267	290	40	24
Crumpton	60	65	25	18
Cumberland	260	284	50	18
Mapleside	97	88	30	4
Melvin Chapel	87	60	25	8
Deer Creek	185	164	30	8
Deer Park	246	298	50	20
Delmar	202	220	50	11
Delta	297	274	50	64
Denton	163	160	25	8
Dorchester	272	214	50	4
Dover	132	107	30	6
Easton	192	213	40	14
Elizabeth	234	200	40	13
Fairfax	179	151	50	2
Fawn Grove	348	333	60	13
Federalsburg	91	228	50	40
Felton	121	132	30	—
Finksburg	561	588	80	39
First Church, Newark	614	682	80	65
Franklin City	307	320	75	42
Frederick	241	257	50	4
Georgetown, Del.	178	212	40	9
Georgetown Circuit	196	199	30	—

Charge	Membership 1917	Membership 1920	Goals of 1920	Accessions in 1920
Greensboro	30	—	—	—
Greenwood	294	297	50	15
Grove	140	82	40	18
Harbeson	182	172	50	—
Harmony	149	102	30	15
Harper's Ferry	178	206	30	30
Harrington	204	247	50	24
Howard	292	338	60	11
Hurlock	182	232	40	74
Indian River	52	54	25	—
Kemptown	480	517	80	50
Kennedyville	133	148	25	9
Kent Island	106	108	30	2
Laurel	342	403	75	60
Laurel Circuit	234	261	40	41
Leeds	220	175	40	10
Leipsic	179	88	30	1
Lewes	69	40	20	1
Lewistown	151	164	20	5
Liberty	160	129	50	3
Lisbon	465	378	75	26
Linthicum Heights	—	79	25	25
Lynchburg	152	155	30	9
Mardela	313	340	50	26
Marley	183	105	30	26
Middleway	46	—	—	—
Milford	351	250	60	11
Milton	212	204	60	12
Mt. Nebo	339	368	60	26
New Church	250	242	75	36
New Market	322	344	60	10
Nichols Memorial	85	135	30	32
Northumberland	480	375	60	15
Oak Grove	141	150	25	2
Oxford	147	134	25	1
Parksley	378	304	50	36
Patapsco	44	26	20	—
Phila., St. Luke's	208	273	50	6
Taylor Memorial	283	300	50	46
Emmanuel	—	113	50	18
Pipe Creek	210	207	30	—
Pittsville	458	456	40	26
Pocomoke Circuit	239	237	40	—
Pocomoke City	362	294	60	15
Potomac	217	223	50	16
Powellville	244	240	40	9
Prince George	124	132	20	4
Quantico	111	92	25	14

Charge	Membership 1917	Membership 1920	Goals of 1920	Accessions in 1920
Queen Anne	114	68	30	—
Reliance	342	332	50	—
Rowlandville	176	65	20	7
Salem	99	157	30	16
Salisbury	522	553	80	31
Seaford	321	273	60	23
Selbyville	110	155	30	28
Sharptown	301	279	40	—
Snow Hill	246	267	40	7
Stewartstown	248	231	40	13
St. James'	217	243	30	4
St. Michael's	151	111	30	6
Susquehanna	287	240	60	11
Texas	58	51	20	12
Trinity	208	223	40	13
Tyreanna	78	20	—	—
Union	407	410	75	114
Union Bridge	76	77	20	11
Wallace Memorial	104	96	30	—
Warwick	210	200	40	1
Cherrydale	125	148	30	34
First Church	307	347	40	27
Georgetown	193	210	40	9
Mt. Tabor	96	102	25	6
N. C. Avenue	276	338	50	34
R. I. Avenue	461	520	80	58
Wesley Chapel	—	120	30	22
Westminster	259	374	40	22
Wilmington	46	58	30	20
West Wilmington	38	40	20	1
Whaleyville	191	170	40	20
Wye	129	122	20	2
Greenbush & Tasley	—	110	30	—

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INCREASE CAMPAIGN EXPENSES.

Charges	Assess.	Paid	Charges	Assess.	Paid
Accomac	12		Christ Church	20	20.00
Alexandria	6		East Baltimore	13	13.00
Amelia	5		Eutaw	10	10.00
Baltimore:			Evergreen	6	
Alnutt Memorial	20	\$30.00	Hampden	20	20.00
Bethany	5	5.00	Keen Memorial	10	15.00
Broadway	12	12.00	Lauraville	5	6.00
Brooklyn	10	10.00	Lowe Memorial	15	15.00
Calvary	8	8.00	North Baltimore	25	25.00
Chesaco Park	2		Payson Street	5	

Charges	Assess.	Paid	Charges	Assess.	Paid
South Baltimore	10		Frederick	10	
Starr	25	25.00	Georgetown, Del.	12	8.50
St. John's	25	25.00	Georgetown Circuit	5	
St. Paul's	8		Greenbush & Tasley	5	5.00
Trinity	2	2.00	Greenwood	10	
Violetville	5	5.00	Grove	9	
Waverly	4	4.00	Harbeson	6	
West Baltimore	20	25.00	Harmony	5	5.00
Wilton Heights	10	10.00	Harper's Ferry	8	8.00
Baltimore Circuit	10		Harrington	10	
Bedford	12	17.00	Howard	12	
Belair	12	8.25	Hurlock	8	8.00
Bivalve	10		Indian River	3	3.00
Buckeystown	25	26.75	Kemptown	15	15.00
Cambridge	15	15.00	Kennedyville	7	7.00
Cannon	5	5.00	Kent Island	8	
Caroline	12		Laurel	15	15.00
Cecil	10		Laurel Circuit	10	
Centreville	10		Leeds	10	
Chestertown	20		Leipsic	4	6.00
Chincoteague	6		Lewes	2	
Clayton	12		Lewistown	4	4.00
Concord	9		Liberty	8	8.00
Conquest	5	5.00	Linthicum Heights	6	6.00
Crisfield:			Lisbon	12	10.00
Crisfield	20		Lynchburg	9	7.00
Lawsonia	3		Mardela	10	
Marienr's	10		Middleway	3	
Crumpton	4		Milford	13	
Cumberland:			Milton	10	10.00
Cumberland	10	10.00	Mt. Nebo	8	8.00
Mapleside	4		New Church	10	10.00
Melvin Chapel	4	4.00	New Market	12	
Deer Creek	8	8.00	Nichols Memorial	8	
Deer Park	10	13.00	Northumberland	12	8.00
Delmar	10		Oak Grove	5	5.00
Delta	10		Oxford	9	9.00
Denton	12	12.00	Parksley	10	15.00
Dorchester	10		Patapsco	2	
Dover	6	6.00	Philadelphia:		
Easton	15	15.00	St. Luke's	10	
Elizabeth	12		Taylor Memorial	10	6.25
Fairfax	6	6.00	Emmanuel	5	8.50
Fawn Grove	12	12.00	Pipe Creek	8	8.00
Federalburg	7		Pittsville	10	
Felton	5		Pocomoke City	13	13.00
Finksburg	15	14.00	Pocomoke Circuit	8	
First Church, Newark	25	25.00	Potomac	10	10.00
Franklin City	12		Powellville	9	

Charges	Assess.	Paid	Charges	Assess.	Paid
Prince George	4		Wallace Memorial	5	5.00
Quantico	5	8.00	Warwick	9	
Queen Anne	5		Washington:		
Reliance	10		Cherrydale	8	8.00
Rowlandville	7	7.00	First Church	15	
Salem	8	8.00	Georgetown	15	18.00
Salisbury	20	20.00	Mt. Tabor	8	
Seaford	12	10.00	N. C. Avenue	15	7.60
Selbyville	8	8.00	R. I. Avenue	25	25.00
Sharptown	11		Wesley Chapel of Kent	8	
Snow Hill	12		Westminster	15	15.00
Stewartstown	11		Wilmington	5	5.00
St. James	15	15.00	West Wilmington	4	
St. Michaels	10	7.50	Whaleyville	6	6.00
Susquehanna	12	12.00	Wye	5	
Trinity	12		Texas	2	2.00
Tyreanna	3		Special Contribution		250.00
Union, Hebron	10	10.00			
Union Bridge	8	8.00			
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Report U

SUMMER CONFERENCE.

(Journal, page 42.)

The last session of the Summer Conference was held at the regular time with an attendance fully as large, if not larger, than ever before, a program of unusual excellence, presenting some of the world's leaders in religious thought, was given. The Treasurer's report will show that this program was presented at less cost than in some previous years, because of the very great kindness of several speakers who refused compensation.

Arrangements are well under way for the next session. We will not have so many speakers with us, but those who come from without our church will spend the entire time, and each will give an extended series of lectures. Rev. Dr. Charles L. Goodell, who has been with us before and who is well known to every Protestant minister who appreciates spiritual power and evangelical values, will be with us during the entire session. The hour for Bible Study each day will be filled by lectures from Rev. D. A. Hayes, professor of New Testament interpretation, in the Garrett Biblical Institute. Dr. Hayes is one of the most eminent scholars and brilliant writers in his chosen field in America, and we fully expect his contributions to make this Conference notable. Through the kindly intercession of Dr. Wm. J. Thompson, Professor Edwin Lewis, teacher of Systematic Theology in Drew Seminary, will be in attendance during the

Conference, and will give five lectures on "The Person of Christ." Dr. Lewis is said to be one of the most careful thinkers and inspiring teachers in this great Methodist school; and his lectures on doctrine are needed in this period when men are shifting and find great difficulty in adjusting themselves to changing thought. So far as it is possible to estimate a program before it is given, we feel this prospective program will be equal to any given at the Conference. At this time it is not possible to announce speakers from our own church, whose cooperation is as necessary to the success of the Conference, as it has been to all others.

We find that the program will cost very much more than any previous year, and we most respectfully request that the Conference continue the appropriation of \$300, which with the balance left from last year will be needed for the expenses of our coming session. We assure the Conference that we will do the best we can to make this expenditure result to the greatest good to the Church.

R. L. SHIPLEY, President.

E. T. READ, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report.

Receipts.

Aug. 2, 1918, Balance on hand	\$ 49.10
July 14, 1919, Received from Rev. J. H. Straughn, Md.	
Conference appropriation	300.00
Total receipts	\$ 349.10

Disbursements.

Aug. 6, 1918, Rev. A. N. Ward, Expenses	\$ 1.68
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. F. J. Bryan, Exp. to Com. meeting..	2.00
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. R. L. Shipley, Exp. to Com. meeting	1.75
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. L. Randall, Exp. to Com. meeting..	4.00
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. W. P. Roberts, Exp. to Com. meeting	3.62
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. H. W. D. Johnson, Exp. Com. meet.	2.40
Feb. 6, 1919, Rev. A. N. Ward, Expenses	7.50
Feb. 15, 1919, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, Exp. Prog. Com...	8.00
Feb. 26, 1919, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, Exp. Prog. Com...	10.50
Feb. 28, 1919, Rev. R. L. Shipley, Exp. Prog. Com.....	10.00
July 15, 1919, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, Exp. Prog. Com...	1.35
July 28, 1919, Mr. R. E. Spear, Exp. Addressing Conf..	20.00
July 31, 1919, Rev. A. J. Brown, Exp. Addressing Conf.	25.00
July 31, 1919, Rev. J. F. Cowan, Exp. Address'g Conf..	20.00
July 31, 1919, Rev. W. H. Marquess, Addresses	75.00
July 31, 1919, Rev. T. H. Lewis, Board for speakers...	10.50
July 31, 1919, Rev. J. H. Straughn, Expenses	6.00

July 31, 1919, Rev. R. L. Shipley, Expenses	11.50
July 31, 1919, J. Roland Taylor, Printing bill	20.00
July 31, 1919, Hotel Bill entertainment Rev. J. A. Brown	2.50
July 31, 1919, Rev. C. R. Strausburg, expenses	1.75
July 31, 1919, Phone Bill	2.35
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Total disbursements	\$ 247.40
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Balance on hand August 1, 1919	\$ 101.70

E. A. SEXSMITH, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned auditing committee of the Summer Conference, have examined the accounts of E. A. Sexsmith, Treasurer of the Summer Conference, and have found them correct.

B. F. RULEY,
J. L. WARD,
WM. H. LITSINGER,
Auditing Committee.

Report V

\$100,000 ADDITION TO PERMANENT FUND OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 47.)

The Committee appointed one year ago to suggest plans for raising One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the Superannuated Fund Society of our beloved Church, Maryland Annual Conference, respectfully report that at the final meeting of this Committee held this day in Baltimore, it was decided to recommend to the Conference that we use the same machinery that we used last year in the Drive, and try to raise in the Maryland Conference the same amount as we raised last year. This would give the One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to the Superannuated Fund, and One Hundred and Sixty-five Thousand Dollars (\$165,000.00) to the other various interests of the new Drive.

We suggest that of the total amount raised, 40% be dedicated to our Superannuated Fund, and 60% to the other denominational interests.

We also suggest that the collection of this money be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the Maryland Annual Conference, he retaining the part belonging to the Superannuated Fund, and forwarding the other to the General Church Treasury.

We recognize that much can be said for this program and probably something against it, but we are living in the days of great things, great responsibilities, and great opportunities. If we do our best to meet them, and fail, we are not to be censured, but if we hesitate to try, then there is some question about whether we are not open to censure.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY,
C. P. NOWLIN,
DANIEL BAKER,
JULIAN P. DODGE,
Committee.

Report W

TO CO-OPERATE WITH OUR CHURCH HOME.

Of the Committee.

(Journal, page 41.)

The special committee to co-operate with the Committee of Our Church Home to work out the program and plans for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Home, beg leave to submit the following report:

Your committee met the local Home Committee in joint session, at the Methodist Protestant Book Rooms, 316 North Charles St., Baltimore, Maryland, February 10, 1920.

Owing to the concentration of activities and financial resources to carry out the program of the Forward Movement Commission it was deemed expedient to postpone the Anniversary Celebration one year.

It was resolved to observe the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of the Home, some day during the coming session of the Summer Conference. Details will be placed in the hands of a local committee.

A Publicity Committee was appointed to prepare a neat folder containing facts, figures, and photographic views of the Home for distribution at this session of Conference, and on all the Charges of the Conference district.

The following recommendation was unanimously adopted: We recommend that a special committee be appointed by the President of the Conference to co-operate with the local Home Anniversary Committee on arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. CLAYTON, Chairman.

W. H. LITSINGER, Secretary.

Report X

ON REVISION OF ASSESSMENTS AND BUDGET.

Of Special Committee.

(Journal, page 30.)

Your Committee on Revision of Assessments and Budget, appointed at the Conference of 1919, to seek an equitable basis for levying the Assessments on the District, in accordance with the recommendations of the President of the Conference, (see President's Report, "Financial Report," Minutes of Conference of 1919, pp. 66 and 67), after careful consideration respectfully recommends:

FIRST: The Budget system in the distribution of the Assessments which shall consist of three parts—

(A) The President's salary and expenses.

(B) Maryland Conference interests, to wit: Incidental expenses of Conference, Seminary, College, Superannuates, Church Extension, Church Home and Deaconess Home, and such other local interests as may, from time to time, be added.

(C) General Conference interests, to wit: Ministerial Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and Board of Young People's Work.

SECOND: That the Board of Finance shall ascertain—

(A) The average amount paid by each charge for all purposes except "Building and Improvements," "Paid on Debt," with interest on same, "Million Dollar Campaign," and other special campaigns by the General Conference, Maryland Conference, and from other sources, for each of the five years immediately preceding the current year, and determine the percentage of the same necessary to provide for the Total Assessment on the District.

(B) The per capita percentage to provide for said Assessments.

(C) The two to be added together and divided by two, thus determining the amount to be paid by each charge.

THIRD: The adjustment to an equitable distribution shall be made on a $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ basis per annum. The basis, as above determined, may be modified by any peculiar circumstances characterizing the individual Charge.

FOURTH: The striking out of the Manual, Rule 5, Sec. 2, all that part of said rule after the word "Layman" which reads—"One of each order being members not on the Committee the previous year."

FIFTH: That all members of the Board of Finance appointed by the President of the Conference shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed, and shall have charge, in the interim of Conference, of all matters pertaining to the Assessments, their action to be

subject to the Conference direction and approval but the Board of Finance has no authority ad interim to reduce the assessments on charges.

SIXTH: That a Committee of two be appointed by the President of the Conference to cooperate with the Secretary of the Conference in the readjustment of all blanks and forms made necessary by the aforesaid revision of Assessments and Budget plan.

J. M. SHERIDAN,
LOUIS RANDALL,
C. P. NOWLIN,
W. C. SCOTT,
ERNEST E. WOODEN,
N. O. GIBSON,
JULIAN P. DODGE.

Assessments on the New Basis.

Charge	Assessment	Charge	Assessment
Accomac, Va.	\$332.18	Bedford, Pa.	317.18
Alexandria, Va.	148.00	Belair	272.14
Amelia, Va.	138.37	Bivalve	222.39
Baltimore:		Buckeystown	560.93
Alnut Memorial	631.19	Cambridge	380.66
Bethany	130.69	Cambridge Circuit	63.00
Broadway	281.78	Campbell, Va.	33.36
Brooklyn	248.98	Cannon	125.48
Calvary	230.14	Caroline	240.52
Chesaco Park	37.63	Cecil	256.43
Christ Church	531.13	Centreville	189.31
East Baltimore	302.74	Chestertown	571.86
Eutaw	237.69	Chincoteague, Va.	158.56
Evergreen	141.82	Clayton, Del.	278.27
Hampden	650.54	Concord, Pa.	206.19
Keen Memorial	253.42	Conquest, Va.	140.52
Lauraville	148.83	Crisfield :	
Lowe Memorial	352.61	Crisfield	531.24
North Baltimore	445.36	Lawsonia	45.20
Payson Street	112.78	Mariners	211.76
South Baltimore	262.16	Crumpton	95.03
Starr	718.05	Cumberland:	
St. Johns	713.24	First Church	306.05
St. Pauls	197.21	Mapleside	102.29
Trinity	76.89	Melvin Chapel	92.57
Violetville	97.19	Deer Creek	169.09
Waverly	115.31	Deer Park	243.34
West Baltimore	679.39	Delmar, Del.	217.41
Wilton Heights	217.19	Delta, Pa.	260.50
Baltimore Circuit	265.66	Denton	276.52

Charge	Assessment	Charge	Assessment
Dorchester	258.29	Parksley, Va.	256.60
Dover	139.57	Patapsco	33.08
Easton	405.61	Philadelphia:	
Elizabeth, N. J.	316.44	Emmanuel	158.58
Fairfax, Va.	153.02	St. Lukes	333.31
Fawn Grove, Pa.	326.61	Taylor Memorial	328.84
Federalsburg	178.46	Pipe Creek	245.81
Felton, Del.	148.42	Pittsville	331.44
Finksburg	416.39	Pocomoke City	365.29
First Church, Newark, N. J.	841.19	Pocomoke Circuit	205.50
Franklin City, Va.	280.52	Potomac, Va.	237.86
Frederick	258.47	Powellville	213.49
Georgetown, Del.	221.18	Prince George, Va.	94.14
Greenbush and Tasley, Va.	144.68	Quantico	126.77
Greensboro	58.32	Queen Anne	135.67
Greenwood, Del.	265.29	Reliance	259.05
Grove	164.21	Rowlandville	143.77
Harbeson	145.84	Salem	227.44
Harmony Grove, W. Va.	130.27	Salisbury	574.06
Harpers Ferry, W. Va.	184.27	Seaford	335.97
Harrington, Del.	253.03	Selhyville	129.45
Howard	277.87	Sharptown	291.78
Hurlock	192.67	Snow Hill	284.55
Indian River, Del.	71.04	Stewartstown	274.58
Kempton	395.68	St. James	299.99
Kennedyville	171.22	St. Michaels	205.25
Kent Island	196.99	Susquehanna	278.54
Laurel, Del.	400.14	Texas	37.32
Laurel Circuit	261.32	Trinity	297.82
Leeds	236.27	Tyreanna, Va.	86.41
Leipsic, Del.	90.34	Union	264.51
Lewes, Del.	38.32	Union Bridge	175.46
Lewistown	112.88	Wallace Memorial, Va.	131.35
Liberty	194.56	Warwick	212.73
Linthicum Heights	174.60	Washington:	
Lisbon	359.82	Cherrydale	178.03
Lynchburg, Va.	230.78	First Church	345.98
Mardela	273.46	Georgetown	347.47
Marley	108.35	Mt. Tabor	194.84
Middleway, W. Va.	90.00	North Carolina Avenue	369.85
Milford, Del.	360.33	Rhode Island Avenue	718.43
Milton, Del.	204.84	Wesley Chapel of Kent	175.75
Mount Nebo, Pa.	254.91	Westminster	543.35
New Church, Va.	256.75	Wilmington:	
New Market	335.35	New Work	
Nichols Memorial	190.34	First Church	111.46
Northumberland, Va.	308.40	West Wilmington	79.97
Oak Grove, Va.	150.07	Whaleyville	138.61
Oxford	215.97	Wye	139.20

Distribution of Assessment on the Budget plan will be:

President's Salary	10	8-10 %
Maryland Conference Interests	70	9-10 %
General Conference Interests	18	3-10 %
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		100 %

Assessment General Conference Expenses.

Accomac, Va.	\$12.03	Chincoteague, Va.	4.10
Alexandria, Va.	6.04	Clayton, Del.	7.79
Amelia, Va.	5.24	Concord, Pa.	7.15
Alnutt Memorial	19.51	Conquest, Va.	4.88
Bethany	4.56	Crisfield	15.97
Broadway	8.90	Lawsonia	2.34
Brooklyn	8.67	Mariners	7.86
Calvary	11.26	Crumpton	2.50
Chesaco Park	1.84	Cumberland:	
Christ Church	25.23	First Church	11.34
East Baltimore	8.77	Mapleside	3.91
Eutaw	10.34	Melvin Chapel	2.93
Evergreen	5.30	Deer Creek	4.97
Hampden	31.87	Deer Park	8.45
Keen Memorial	9.91	Delmar, Del.	8.07
Lauraville	5.62	Delta, Pa.	9.06
Lowe Memorial	17.35	Denton	9.64
North Baltimore	18.24	Dorchester	7.29
Payson St.	3.93	Dover, Del.	5.43
South Baltimore	10.73	Easton	10.08
Starr	25.37	Elizabeth, N. J.	10.36
St. Johns	24.86	Fairfax, Va.	4.80
St. Pauls	10.27	Fawn Grove, Pa.	11.35
Trinity	3.71	Federalsburg	7.38
Violetville	4.07	Felton, Del.	4.69
Waverly	4.02	Finksburg	16.27
West Baltimore	22.46	1st Church, Newark, N. J.	35.27
Wilton Heights	10.36	Franklin City, Va.	8.87
Baltimore Circuit	10.08	Frederick	8.99
Bedford, Pa.	9.02	Georgetown, Del.	8.19
Belair	9.46	Greenbush & Tasley, Va.	5.04
Bivalve	7.15	Greensboro	2.04
Buckeystown	11.82	Greenwood, Del.	9.16
Cambridge Station	11.00	Grove	3.97
Cambridgeg Circuit	3.00	Harbeson, Del.	7.07
Cannon, Del.	6.31	Harmony, W. Va.	4.17
Caroline	6.15	Harper's Ferry, W. Va.	6.40
Cecil	8.90	Harrington, Del.	8.80
Centreville	6.06	Howard	10.79
Chestertown	14.89	Hurlock	7.28

Indian River, Del.	1.51	Powellville	7.41
Kempton	14.03	Prince George, Va.	3.27
Kennedyville	5.96	Quantico	3.00
Kent Island	4.36	Queen Anne	3.43
Laurel, Del.	14.82	Reliance	9.73
Laurel Circuit	7.60	Rowlandville	3.05
Leeds	6.73	Salem	5.15
Leipsic, Del.	2.65	Salisbury	22.76
Lewes, Del.	1.28	Seaford, Del.	10.72
Lewistown	3.87	Selbyville, Del.	5.08
Liberty	4.83	Sharptown	9.69
Linthicum Heights	6.87	Snow Hill	9.89
Lisbon	12.00	Stewartstown, Pa.	8.05
Lynchburg, Va.	8.47	St. James	8.69
Mardela	9.49	St. Michaels	5.66
Marley	4.69	Susquehanna	8.47
Middleway, W. Va.	1.11	Texas	2.10
Milford, Del.	14.52	Trinity	8.75
Milton, Del.	7.12	Tyreanna, Va.	.88
Mt. Nebo, Pa.	10.52	Union	11.44
New Church, Va.	8.57	Union Bridge	4.57
Newmarket	11.01	Wallace Memorial	5.14
Nichols Memorail	5.20	Warwick	6.33
Northumberland, Va.	9.82	Washington:	
Oak Grove, Va.	4.64	Cherrydale	7.64
Oxford	5.50	First Church	13.71
Parksley, Va.	11.28	Georgetown	10.94
Patapsco	1.15	Mt. Tabor	5.65
Philadelphia:		N. C. Avenue	15.47
Emmanuel	7.64	R. I. Avenue	23.87
St. Lukes	15.71	Wesley Chapel of Kent	4.59
Taylor Memorial	15.18	Westminster	13.63
Pipe Creek	7.36	1st Church, Wilmington	3.88
Pittsville	13.83	West Wilmington	1.72
Pocomoke City	11.17	Whaleyville	5.67
Pocomoke Circuit	7.03	Wye	4.32
Potomac, Va.	8.55		

Report Y

TO CONSIDER DEFICIT IN SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Of Special Committee.

(Journal, page 38.)

The special committee to whom was referred the item in the Secretary's report concerning the deficit of \$857, beg leave to report as follows:

After careful consideration of resources and with rigid economies, we think the deficiency can be covered by increasing the Conference Assessment from \$1000 to \$1500 for this year and we so recommend.

L. F. WARNER,
JOHN H. ELLIOTT.

Report Z

TO CONSIDER TELEGRAM FROM MR. DANIEL BAKER.

Of the Special Committee.

(Journal, page 49.)

Your committee recommends that the President be asked to send the following reply to this communication: The Conference appreciates your affectionate greeting and sends its love to you. It directs me further to say that it expects every Charge to consider seriously and to make an earnest effort to raise the amount which shall be apportioned to it by the Forward Movement Commission as provided for in a paper offered by Dr. T. H. Lewis and adopted last Friday.

WM. H. LITSINGER,
FRANCIS M. WILSON,
LEONARD B. SMITH.

The Telegram.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 11, 1920.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Straughn,

516 Fourth Street, Southeast,

President Maryland Conference,

Washington, D. C.

Wish you success in administration. Give my love to Conference and ask them to reserve optional financial action interchurch. That action means failure. Let Conference go into movement fully with positive action. Let Church feel its responsibility. My trip fails if my Conference does not accept these responsibilities I am trying to persuade others to take.

DANIEL BAKER.

Report AA**ON RESOLUTION REGARDING CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.**

Of the Special Committee.

(Journal, page 49.)

Your committee has considered the resolution as presented including the amendment and concurs in the first part as being opportune and practicable, but as we are well advanced and drawing close to the end of Conference session it deems it inadvisable to endeavor to make any plan for the coming year otherwise than has been tacitly understood among us, as the above mentioned plan entails much thought and labor, but recommends the following:

A. That the President of the Conference be instructed to communicate with the financial steward of each church through the pastor prior to the first week in March (assuming this to be the time of the last quarterly conference meeting) advising him of the Conference Rule that each Charge pay the expenses of its minister and delegate and reminding him of the necessity of providing for the same out of the Church Treasury.

C. P. NOWLIN,
B. F. RULEY,
W. O. ATWOOD.

The Resolution.

Recognizing that the question of Conference entertainment is a matter of serious concern, and as a result of the apparent excessive charge of the same, we have reason to believe that many of our men have this year come to Conference at a great sacrifice, and some have remained away because they did not feel able to bear the expense; Resolved,

(1). That a special Committee be appointed to arrange a plan whereby each man may be remunerated for his expense, and that the Conference Treasurer, Rev. C. P. Nowlin, be made Chairman, and that the report be made at the next Conference.

(2). That for this present year the Conference lay an assessment of 1% on the salary of each minister in active relation, and on each charge an amount equal to 1% of the Pastor's salary. Both assessments to be collected and forwarded to Conference Treasurer and he be authorized at next session to pay to each pastor and delegate, certifying to expenses, incurred in attendance on Conference, an amount not to exceed \$3. per day.

B. F. RULEY,
F. A. HOLLAND.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 1.

On Eligibility.

(Journal, page 27.)

RESOLVED, That Regulation II section 4 as printed in the Minutes of 1919, page 195, be amended so as to read:

"4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class Leader, Sunday School Superintendent, Trustee and Delegate to the Annual Conference."

T. H. LEWIS.

RESOLUTION 2.

Printing Conference Sermon.

(Journal, page 30.)

RESOLVED, That Rev. E. D. Stone be requested to furnish his manuscript of the Conference Sermon, and that the Secretary be instructed to have the sermon printed in the Conference Minutes.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN,
LOUIS RANDALL.

RESOLUTION 3.

Governing the Distribution of Conference Assessments.

(Journal, page 32.)

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer of the Conference be, and hereby is, instructed to distribute the Benevolences, when not otherwise instructed by the Pastor remitting, on a pro rata basis of the Budget as agreed upon by this Conference.

LOUIS RANDALL,
N. O. GIBSON,
ERNEST E. WOODEN,
J. M. SHERIDAN.

LIBRARY OF
BISHOP F. D. LEWIS

RESOLUTION 4.**To Consider Feasibility of Conference Fire Insurance.**

(Journal, page 40.)

RESOLVED, That a special committee of five be appointed by the Chair to report at the next Annual Conference with recommendations as to the feasibility of the Conference insuring our church property against loss by fire.

EDWIN B. FENBY,
G. A. OGG,
C. P. NOWLIN,
L. A. BENNETT.

RESOLUTION 5.**Increase in Treasurer's Salary.**

(Journal, page 42.)

Inasmuch as the labors of the Conference Treasurer are becoming more arduous each year, not only demanding most of his time during the sessions of Conference but extending throughout the entire Conference year, and realizing that the remuneration for his splendid work is so inadequate, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That his salary as Conference Treasurer be increased \$50., making a total of \$100. for the coming year.

B. F. RULEY,
GEO. HINES.

RESOLUTION 6.**Recognizing Success of Editor of Methodist Protestant.**

RESOLVED, In the last four years the Methodist Protestant Church has registered many successes both spiritual and temporal, and this Conference desires to record its grateful recognition of them all. But, considering the fundamental importance of the interest, and the magnitude of the success, we believe it proper to make special mention of the work of one of our own members, Rev. F. T. Benson, D. D., Editor of the Methodist Protestant. Taking charge of the paper as editor four years ago when its circulation was 2500, he is able to show now a subscription of over 7400, the largest circulation the Protestant or any other periodical in our denomination ever reached. Doctor Benson has achieved this magnificent result without resorting to premiums or any other device, but solely by his splendid conception of what makes an interesting paper and his untiring and intelligent energy in carrying it out. We rejoice in his

success, and pray for the still greater results which he contemplates and we believe is able to bring to pass. We request that this paper be published in the Protestant.

T. H. LEWIS,
F. T. LITTLE.

RESOLUTION 7.

Increasing Minimum Pastor's Salary.

(Journal, page 45.)

RESOLVED, That the words "\$900.00" and "minister with family appointed as" and "who has itinerated five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference," be stricken from Rule II Article 14 of the Manual, thus making the last clause or sentence of the Article read as follows: "An he (the President) shall use his utmost effort with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$1,000.00 per year for the Pastor, and he (the President) shall urge upon the charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors" etc.

Signed:—

WALTER G. MONROE,
WM. E. CAIN,
M. A. DAVIS.

RESOLUTION 8.

On Furniture in Odenton Parsonage.

(Journal, page 48.)

RESOLVED, That the furniture purchased two years ago for the use of Rev. R. Y. Nicholson and which is now stored in the Odenton Parsonage be placed in the care of the Board of Managers of the Conference Church Extension Society for such disposition as may be deemed wise.

J. M. SHERIDAN,
FRANCIS WILSON.

RESOLUTION 10.

Changing the Manual.

(Journal, page 48.)

RESOLVED, That Rule VI of the Conference Manual be so changed as to fix the time for the Conference Sermon and Communion at 10:30 A. M. of the first day's session. To this end be it

RESOLVED, That paragraph 3 of this rule be designated paragraph

2; that paragraph 4 be changed by substituting "10:30 A. M." for "8 o'clock on this evening," and designated paragraph 3; that in paragraph 2 after the title "Examination of the President" the words "At 2 P. M.," be inserted and this paragraph be numbered 4; that "2:30" be changed to "3" in paragraph 5.

WM. H. LITSINGER,
GEO. HINES.

RESOLUTION 11.

Changing Manual on Duties of President.

(Journal, page 48.)

WHEREAS, It is our earnest conviction that two great essentials in church efficiency are leadership and business methods—such as will minimize the waste of energy and effort and agencies, thereby conserving man power and prevent overlapping in fields for work; and

WHEREAS, We believe that the Maryland Conference has grown to such proportions that the wisest leadership in, and most efficient oversight of plans and programs, constructive and far reaching are seriously hindered by a plan of Itinerancy that demands of the President of the Conference to visit all the charges mainly to occupy the pulpit for one preaching service; and

WHEREAS, We are convinced that the best results can be obtained during the year through the leadership of our President in the various activities of the church, if the President is not compelled by custom to continually travel the District, but rather is left free to study the needs of the field, responding to the calls of pastors and charges and to devote his labors as his judgment indicates for the largest development of the work intensively and extensively; therefore

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Conference that the President be relieved from the usual plan of visitation on the charges; that he make a survey of the District, assume general oversight of all church work, and use his official leadership in securing the most constructive development for the Charges, and so far as possible meet the Official Board of every Charge once a year.

RESOLVED, That the failure of the President to visit any Charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed on said charge for his salary.

That each charge shall forward, not later than July 1st, the amount levied thereon for President's salary to the Conference Treasurer—who shall pay monthly to the President his salary.

RESOLVED, That Rule 11, Section 13 of the Manual be and hereby is amended by striking out said section and the insertion of the foregoing resolutions.

T. PLINY FISHER,
G. I. HUMPHREYS,
H. W. D. JOHNSON,

RESOLUTION 12.**Appointing Committee to Locate Methodist Protestant People.**

(Journal, page 49.)

WHEREAS, Many of the members of the Methodist Protestant Church, leaving their charge, moving in the vicinity in close proximity to other Methodist Protestant Churches, do either join other denominations or remain without the fellowship of the Church generally; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the President of the Conference be the Chairman of a committee of three to be appointed by the President, to act during interim of Conference. The duties of this committee to be defined as follows: First, to receive knowledge from pastor involved in the members leaving, as to their place of residence. Second, to notify pastor of our nearest church to that place of residence. Third, to urge upon all pastors their heartiest co-operation in this plan.

E. L. BEAUCHAMP,
W. E. CAIN.

RESOLUTION 13.**Authorizing Treasurer to Borrow Money for Expenses of General Conference.**

(Journal, page 49.)

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer of the Conference is hereby authorized to borrow any amount of money for the expenses of the representatives to the General Conference.

G. W. HADDAWAY,
W. F. WRIGHT.

RESOLUTION 14.**Appointing Special Committee on Readjustment of Circuits.**

(Journal, page 52.)

RESOLVED, That the special committee to consider the feasibility of readjustment of the circuits located in Carroll, Frederick and Howard Counties be composed of the following:

- 1.—President of the Conference, Chairman of the Church Extension Committee, and the Superintendent of Church Extension.
- 2—The pastors of the several charges concerned.
- 3—The laymen herein named:

Howard Gray,
L. S. Paterson,
F. J. Brandenburg, Jr.
W. E. Burrell,
J. N. Warfield, Jr.,
J. D. Hett,
J. F. Boyer,
F. A. Hammond.

N. C. CLOUGH,
K. H. WAREHEIM,
W. F. BAUSCHER.

THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

The Electoral College convened at 2.00 P. M. this day, Friday, April the ninth, 1920. On motion of H. S. Johnson, F. T. Little was elected chairman and G. I. Humphreys, Secretary. The Chair, by common consent appointed as judges H. S. Johnson and E. A. Sexsmith, Ministerial; M. A. Davis and W. E. Cain, Lay.

Roll Call and ballots cast. The Judges were permitted to retire and count ballot. Electoral College recessed.

Electoral College resumed Saturday 10.00 A. M. Result of ballot as follows: Ministerial 101; Necessary to choice 51. Lay 71; Necessary to choice 36. The following were elected: Ministerial: L. F. Warner, J. H. Straughn, J. M. Gill, H. L. Elderdice, F. T. Little, R. L. Shipley, G. W. Haddaway, F. T. Benson, G. I. Humphreys. Lay: F. P. Adkins, J. B. Mills, Daniel Baker, M. A. Davis, W. O. Atwood, T. A. Murray, T. P. Fisher.

E. A. Sexsmith was excused from serving as judge. Additional judges were appointed as follows: Ministerial, H. L. Schlincke, P. W. Crosby, E. H. Van Dyke; Lay, J. B. Jones, M. D., F. W. Whitaker. Roll Call and ballots cast. Judges retired.

The result of the election was further determined by the following ballots.

2nd Ballot.—Ministerial, E. C. Makosky, E. D. Stone; Lay, J. P. Dodge, R. P. Smith, A. R. Lewis.

3rd Ballot.—Ministerial, T. H. Lewis, F. C. Klein. Lay, J. H. Roberts, E. E. Wooden. On motion of G. I. Humphreys, the election of T. H. Lewis was made unanimous.

4th Ballot.—No election.

5th Ballot.—Ministerial, Louis Randall. Lay, F. M. Wilson.

6th Ballot.—Ministerial, W. A. Melvin. Lay, J. B. Jones, M. D., W. E. Cain.

7th Ballot.—Lay, E. G. Cover.

8th Ballot.—Ministerial, W. H. Litsinger.

9th Ballot.—No election.

10th Ballot.—No election.

11th Ballot.—No election.

12th Ballot.—Lay, J. A. Baker.

13th Ballot.—No election.

14th Ballot.—Ministerial, E. H. Van Dyke.

On motion the judges are to select the eight ministers and the eight laymen having received the highest vote on the first ballot, the same to be declared as alternates.

On motion the judges are permitted to make such report on Tuesday morning.

Alternates: Ministerial: J. M. Sheridan, A. N. Ward, L. B. Smith, J. W. Kirk, E. A. Sexsmith, J. F. Bryan, C. P. Nowlin, W. B. Judefind.

Lay: E. B. Fenby, M. D., W. C. Scott, S. H. Linthicum, H. K. Muller, W. E. Sheppard, J. H. Elliott, T. D. Bowers, T. E. Harrison.

On motion the Electoral College adjourned sine die.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.

G. I. HUMPHREYS, Secretary.

MEMORIAL TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

Inasmuch as the Constitution of the Methodist Protestant Church provides that there shall be no infringement of the right of suffrage and eligibility, and the Holy Scripture declares that in the Church of Christ there is "neither male or female," both in the interest of economy and efficiency, the same being also in harmony with the spirit of modern progress, be it

RESOLVED, That the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, now in session in the City of Washington, shall and does hereby memorialize, petition and request the coming General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, to convene in the City of Greensboro, N. C., on the third Friday of May, 1920, A. D., to give careful and exhaustive consideration to the subject of the merging of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, the Board of Home Missions, and the Women's Board of Home Missions, into one BOARD OF MISSIONS; so made up, composed and constituted, and so operated, conducted and managed that it shall function without favor or discrimination as to sex; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if it be found impracticable or impossible to make the aforesaid four separately functioning Missionary agencies ONE, then the said General Conference is hereby memorialized, petitioned and requested to effect upon the principle above enunciated, the merger of the two foreign and the two home missionary agencies, so that there shall be but one foreign and one home missionary organization functioning within the Methodist Protestant Church.

E. H. VAN DYKE,
GEORGE HINES.

This memorial was received and adopted.

RESOLVED, Second, That this Conference memorialize the General Conference to consolidate under the name of The Board of Education and Young Peoples' Work, the present Board of Education and the present Board of Young Peoples' Work; after which consolidation, the two present secretaries shall be discontinued, and one General Secretary elected by the General Conference in their stead; which General Secretary shall be given an office secretary; who shall be elected by the Board. The Board shall be composed of five ministers, and five laymen, one of whom shall be elected annually as President of the Board. The office of the General Secretary shall be located according to the wishes of the Board.

J. FRANKLIN BRYAN,
W. B. JUDEFIND,
J. L. WARD,
GEO. E. BROWN.

This memorial was received and referred to Maryland Delegation.

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

Superannuated Fund Society

Meeting was opened on Tuesday afternoon by the First Vice President, J. L. Mills, requesting F. T. Little to occupy the chair. Report was made by T. A. Murray, Treasurer. Attached to the Treasurer's report was statement of Committee on Audit certifying to the correctness of all accounts. B. F. Ruley moved that the report be adopted.

F. T. Little spoke in appreciation of the faithful and efficient work of the Treasurer and of the great sorrows that have come to him during the year. J. M. Sheridan moved that the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to convey to T. A. Murray the tender sympathy and affection of the Conference.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the following officers and Board of Managers:

Officers:

First Vice President, J. L. Mills.
Second Vice President, F. T. Benson.
Third Vice President, C. M. Compher.
Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather.
Recording Secretary, C. C. Day.
Treasurer, T. A. Murray.

Board of Managers:

Ministers: W. H. Litsinger, G. W. Haddaway, J. M. Sheridan, and W. B. Judefind.

Laymen: T. A. Murray, Daniel MacLea, Dr. E. B. Fenby and J. B. Mills.

R. L. SHIPLEY, Sec. pro tem.

Treasurer's Report for Year April 1919-1920.

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in Account with Superannuated Fund Society.

PERMANENT FUND.

To Balance as per last report	\$ 1350.07
To Amt. rec'd in payment Windsor Ave. Mort.....	\$ 6200.00
To Amt. from Sales of Leasehold properties	5672.59
To Amt. from Conference Treas. Annual Dues	112.00
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	\$11984.59
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	\$13334.66

By Amt. of Re-investments per order of Board.....	\$12461.82	
By Balance on deposit to credit of Society	872.84	\$13334.66

INCOME ACCOUNT.

To Income rec'd from Investments	\$ 7235.71	
To Interest on deposits	55.12	\$ 7290.83

By Premium paid on Treasurer's Bond	\$ 12.50	
By Rent Safe Deposit Box	5.00	
By Amount paid for Minute Book for Secretary...	3.70	
By 1920 Taxes paid on Securities	54.18	
By allowance for expenses of collections, etc.....	250.00	
By amounts remitted to Conference Treasurer:		
July 22, 1919, Check #41.....	\$1600.00	
Oct. 22, 1919, Check #43.....	1900.00	
Feb. 5, 1920, Check #45.....	1500.00	
Check herewith	1965.45	\$ 6965.45 \$ 7290.83

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct as per above Report, and all Income from the Securities and property of the Society fully accounted for; and that we have also examined the Securities of the Society and find them properly deposited in the Safe Deposit Box of the Society.

W. B. JUDEFIND,

J. BIBB MILLS,

Auditing Committee.

SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS.

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in its judgment, properly belong to the superannuated list.

2. From the receipts from the invested fund, each superannuated minister be entitled to \$10 for each year of his active service as a member of this Conference, and each widow of a minister of this Conference who is granted a superannuate relation, be entitled to \$5.00 for each year of her active service.

3. The amount received from the collections in the District during the year to be applied to the necessities of the claimants, considering: 1. The time of service in the Conference; 2. The size of family; 3. Peculiarities of condition; 4. Ability to contribute to self support by business capacity or by private income.

4. That when the Committee on Superannuates has information from claimants to the effect that they do not need the amount required by virtue of their years of service, that the Committee be governed by the information thus given. (For items 2, 3, 4, see report H. Superannuates, 1914 Minutes).

5. The Conference Treasurer shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, and shall make a quarterly distribution of the funds provided the Treasurer of said Society can make a payment in the interim of Conference.

6. When the Committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the Conference twenty-four hours before action thereon, during which time objections to the report must be filed before the committee.

7. The Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall furnish Superannuated Claimants with blanks containing the following questions, a neglect to answer which shall deprive the claimants of any portion in the distribution of the emergency fund for the year.

1. What is your present place of residence? Post office address?
2. Do you desire a superannuate relation the ensuing year?
3. What is the number of your family? Age of your children, respectively?
4. Do you attend our church? If not, why not?
5. Do your children attend Sabbath School? If not, why not?
6. What is the amount of your private income?

Church Extension Society

The Church Extension Society convened on Friday afternoon, with President J. L. Mills presiding.

The report of the President of the Board of Managers was read and referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

The report of the Treasurer was read by the Secretary and was referred to the Conference Auditing Committee.

The report of the Committee on Closed Churches was read by the Secretary and was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the re-election of the following officers:

President, J. L. Mills.

First Vice President, E. C. Makosky.

Second Vice President, J. F. Wooden.

Secretary, C. R. Strausburg.

Treasurer, W. C. Scott.

Board of Managers: Ministers: G. W. Haddaway, W. H. Litsinger, S. F. Cassen, G. E. Brown; Laymen: W. C. Scott, T. A. Myers, E. B. Fenby, J. H. Roberts.

Adjourned.

C. R. STRAUSBURG, Secretary.

Report of the Board of Managers.

The year just closed has been one of marked progress for church extension, notwithstanding the Million Dollar Campaign, which prevented the Superintendent visiting the churches or securing money that would otherwise have been collected.

The churches committed to our care have had success along both spiritual and material lines. Improvements have been made to both churches on Chesaco Park Charge. They have raised \$1550 for all purposes. Chesaco Park will double its proportion for pastor's salary for next year. The charge is anxious for a regular pastor. Brother Kester has done faithful service and is highly appreciated.

Texas has improved its property at a cost of one thousand dollars, all of which is paid. They have raised \$1700 for all purposes. Twelve new members have been received. Brother Holloway has rendered efficient service, and has been popular with the people.

The work at Trinity under the pastorate of Brother White has advanced along all lines. There have been fifty-two conversions, with thirty-five additions to the membership. The financial report shows that the church has raised a total of \$2700. Though these churches have been recently organized, and are not yet strong, they have met all assessments and have responded to the Million Dollar Campaign.

We recommend that pastors be appointed to these churches under the care of this Board.

The Elvaton Church has been moved to Arundel County and erected upon a lot donated by Mr. C. Wilbur Miller. The lot is deeded to this Board and is worth \$700. The church will be dedicated in a few weeks. The cost will be about two thousand dollars, and the hope is to complete the payment by dedication. The Superintendent has charge of this work and will continue to look after it.

The Eastern Development Company has donated a lot to this Board for church purposes worth \$1600, at Graceland Park, a suburb of Baltimore. A Sunday School has been organized, and two hundred dollars in cash and subscription have been raised toward a chapel. The expectation is to erect a frame building on the lot during the coming year.

Broadway and Lauraville have taken formal action looking to a union of the two congregations and the erection of a new church on the Harford Road in the Montebello Park section.

A joint committee from the two churches and this Board is working out details and making investigation with the view of purchasing a location. The work is to be pushed immediately after the adjournment of Conference.

In the early part of the Conference year, Rev. C. M. Compher organized a Sunday School at Colmar, a suburb of Washington. The school was discontinued in the Fall. A lot has been purchased and some money raised toward a chapel.

The Superintendent has given much time and labor to the new Wilmington work which is under the care of the Peninsula Society. With the approval of this Board, Dr. Sheridan spent several weeks in Wilmington and besides has made a number of visits to that city. The details of

what has been accomplished will doubtless be given by the Board of Managers of the Peninsula Society. Suffice it to say here that about one hundred and fifty Methodist Protestant families have been located. These people are all from our churches on the Eastern Shore and Delaware. They have pledged \$1200 toward pastoral support for next year, and are asking for a supply. They will have a messenger here in the person of Mr. Joseph J. Williams. We trust that some definite action will be taken toward supplying them with a pastor. The entire Conference should be interested in this new movement. If carried to a successful completion it will mean the beginning of a new epoch in the history of our denomination in that progressive city.

The Superintendent has collected four hundred and ninety dollars and fifty cents on the debt at Selbyville. There is still needed five hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty-cents. We are in sympathy with the effort to pay this long standing debt. Two of the members have offered one-half of the debt provided the balance can be secured.

Walkersville church has been sold. The Superintendent visited the Quarterly Conference of Liberty Circuit of which this church was an appointment, and held a conference relative to the use of the proceeds of the sale. A letter from Mr. Wm. E. Burrall, the Secretary of the Quarterly Conference, states it is their purpose to invest the money and use the principle on pastor's salary notwithstanding the law explicitly states that the money from the sale of extinct churches shall be used in the erection of houses of worship. We recommend that the Annual Conference expresses its disapproval of the action of the Liberty Quarterly Conference and insists that the law shall be observed and the money be used in the erection of houses of worship.

We report that Peniel Church on Campbell Circuit has been sold and the proceeds paid to this Board.

We wish to call the attention of the Conference to our work in Cumberland, and the necessity of some definite steps being taken to put the three small churches (frame) on a better basis. At Melvin Chapel there is a good field with no other church near. The church building is in bad condition. The Superintendent recently visited this church and endeavored to rally the people in a campaign to raise several thousand dollars toward the erection of a new building. We hope something will materialize from his efforts. Cumberland is the second largest city in the State. Great industrial works are being established there. The population is increasing rapidly. We have an opportunity for our church and prompt action should be taken. This Board stands ready to do all in its power to strengthen our cause at this strategic point.

Total receipts for the year from all sources, including market value of the two lots donated, and the money raised by the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, amounts to \$6592.

Of course there are many details to which your Board and the Superintendent have given attention, which cannot be mentioned in this report. We have sought to make the most of the year's opportunity. - Dr. Sheridan has been in labors abundant. He has been devoted and efficient as the progress of the work bears witness. The Board requests his reappointment to the Superintendency of Church Extension work for another year.

EDWIN B. FENBY, President.

Treasurer's Report, Year Ending April 6th, 1920.

Receipts.

Cash on hand last report	\$ 1411.10	
Collections, Superintendent for War Work	225.00	
Collections, Superintendent, Arundell Cove Church	1274.06	
Collections, Superintendent, Graceland Park Ch..	131.18	
Collections, Superintendent, General Church Ex...	787.94	
C. P. Nowlin, for Purchase Harmony Church	100.00	
C. P. Nowlin for Lewes, Del. Church Debt	50.00	
C. P. Nowlin for Superintendent's Salary	1000.00	
Jones Memorial Church for Insurance	15.50	
Proceeds sale Peniel Church	490.85	
Monument Realty Co. part payment Broadway Ch.	15250.00	
Borrowed from Miss Ella Martin for purchase of Colmar Park lot	747.00	
Interest on deposit	31.18	
Interest on Victory Bonds, Broadway Fund	407.10	\$22420.91

Disbursements.

Arundell Cove Church Improvements	\$ 1349.30	
Falls Road Church Improvements	117.25	
Purchase Harmony Church	100.00	
Portion Lewes, Del. Church Debt	50.00	
Colmar Church Lot & Expenses	747.00	
Insurance Jones Memorial Church	15.60	
City Church Ext. Soc., account Building Lot	500.00	
Note Broadway Church	810.00	
Salary J. E. McDorman, Chesaco Park	16.00	
Premium on Treasurer's Bond	12.50	
Traveling Expenses G. E. Brown.....	3.95	
Minute book for Secretary	5.75	
Broadway Investment Fund: \$15,000 Victory 4¾ Bonds	15079.55	
Interest on Note due Kent Co. Savings Bank.....	118.49	
Salary of Superintendent	1500.00	
Traveling Expense of Supt.	87.68	
	<u>\$20513.07</u>	
Balance (Cash in Bank)	1907.84	\$22420.91

W. C. SCOTT, Treasurer.

CHURCH EXTENSION REGULATIONS.

1. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collection in the hands of the Conference Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the Conference year.

2. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the ensuing year.

3. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long as the mission relation is continued. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members" at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension Society shall surrender the church property, together with the books, papers or other valuables held by them as Trustees.

4. When any number of the members of any of our Missions shall, through disaffection or from other causes, form themselves into classes, withholding themselves from the means of grace or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to the Discipline for trial of members. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may think proper, and should the accused be found guilty he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should the entire mission become refractory the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; provided, however, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the next session ensuing, whose decision shall be final.

5. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.

6. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline for the trial of members.

7. Any mission having a missionary shall be entitled to one delegate to the Annual Conference, provided the missionary have a seat, who shall be elected by the qualified members of the mission, at least two weeks preceding the session of the Annual Conference.

8. No member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall hold membership in a mission and station at the same time.

9. Until a class is formed in a mission the missionary shall have authority to receive probationers into full membership.

10. The missionary in charge is invested with authority to receive or

reject applicants for membership, as he in his judgment may deem conducive to the welfare of the mission.

11. When a mission becomes a circuit or station, the property must be so transferred to the trustees elected by the qualified members as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church.

12. The Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conference.

13. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.

14. The Society shall pay the traveling expenses of such members of the Board of Managers as do not reside in the city.

15. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Church Extension Society in the interim of Conference.

16. Hereafter, no money shall be appropriated to any charge where the Board of Trustees refuses to be incorporated.

17. The Church Extension Committee of the Conference is hereby made a permanent or continuous committee, its members serving until their successors are appointed. The President of the Conference is hereby requested in naming the members of this committee from time to time, to retain a sufficient number of those familiar with its work to secure best results in the appropriation of the funds of the society.

In addition to the duties heretofore performed by the committee, it shall be the duty of the chairman and secretary thereof, as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual session of the Conference, to prepare and have printed lists of questions with blank spaces for answers, similar to those heretofore used by the Board of Managers, and shall mail a copy to the pastor of each charge seeking aid not later than the first week in October and March of each Conference year. The blanks may also contain such explanations as may be deemed necessary to enable charges to properly fill in the answers to the questions, with the request that the said blanks be promptly filled out and returned.

The chairman and secretary shall arrange these blanks in proper order, bring them to Conference and lay them before the Committee. The committee, in making appropriations to the respective charges seeking aid, shall be guided by the information contained in the blanks; and the charges are hereby notified in accordance with the above prescribed duties of the committee.

The Secretary of the Conference hereby is instructed to pay, out of the Conference funds, the expense of printing, postage, etc., incurred by the committee in the discharge of the duties here referred to.

When appropriations are made conditionally and the conditions are not complied with, it shall be the duty of the committee to so notify the Conference Treasurer, who shall withhold payment of the money until such payment is authorized by the committee.

The action of the Committee of 1907 is hereby reaffirmed as follows, "The Committee on Church Extension shall not report upon any case referred to it by the Conference, except such cases recommended by the President to accommodate the plan of appointments."

The Mutual Relief Association

The Mutual Relief Association convened at 8 P. M., Monday, April 12, 1920, with First Vice President W. H. Litsinger in the chair.

The Secretary-Treasurer read his report which was referred to E. C. Makosky and G. Q. Bacchus as Committee on Audit. This committee reported as follows:

The Committee on Audit has examined Bank Book, Vouchers and Accounts and find them correct in every item.

E. C. MAKOSKY,
G. Q. BACCHUS,
Committee on Audit.

Report of Auditing Committee was adopted.
Report of Secretary-Treasurer was adopted.

Secretary-Treasurer's Financial Report.

Receipts.

Apr. 4, 1919, from Rev. E. C. Makosky	\$ 229.25
Received upon call 65th case	174.00
Received upon call 66th case	175.00
Received upon call 67th case (Incomplete)	152.00
Received upon call 68th case (Incomplete)	150.00
Received upon call 69th case (Incomplete)	133.00
Received upon call 70th case (Incomplete)	119.00
Total Receipts	\$1132.25

Disbursements.

Paid Mrs. Rev. J. S. Bowers	\$ 172.00
Paid Mrs. Rev. R. K. Lewis	172.00
Paid Mrs. Ida Wentzell, guardian for Miss Ruth Rarri- man	174.00
Paid for Postal Cards, printing and stamps	20.30
	\$ 538.30
	\$ 593.95
Outstanding Check	\$ 4.00
	\$ 597.95
Balance in hand	\$ 564.00
For distribution to beneficiaries	\$ 33.95
Expense Fund	\$ 33.95

MEMBERSHIP.

Reported April 4, 1919	165
Deceased during the year	6
Lapsed during the year	4
New Members enrolled during the year	23
Present Membership	178

On motion it was decided to re-admit lapsed members upon payment of four dollars to cover the four incomplete cases, such privilege to apply to this year only.

The Secretary-Treasurer was authorized to purchase a new account book.

A rule was adopted to lengthen the time before members should be lapsed to sixty days after notices are sent.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the following officers:

First Vice President, W. H. Litsinger.
 Second Vice President, C. R. Strausburg.
 Third Vice President, C. E. Dryden.
 Secretary-Treasurer, G. A. Ogg.

It was ordered that the Conference Secretary be requested to publish in the Minutes, our minutes and roll of members.

G. A. OGG, Secretary-Treasurer.

Members of Mutual Relief Association.

Adams, Ziba
 Adams, J. Peyton
 Alexander, C. N.
 Bacchus, G. Q.
 Baxley, J. W.
 Balderston, J. W.
 Bauscher, W. F.
 Beauchamp, E. L. and Wife
 Bennett, L. A. and Wife
 Benson, F. T. and Wife
 Bowers, Mrs. Lucy
 Brown, J. McL. and Wife
 Bryan, B. A. and Wife
 Bryan, J. F. and Wife
 Cassen, S. F. and Wife
 Clift, F. M.

Clough, N. C. and Wife
 Coe, S. W. and Wife
 Crosby, P. W. and Wife
 Crouse, T. O. and Wife
 Cullum, C. M. and Wife
 Cushing, Mrs. Clara P.
 Day, C. C.
 Dobson, C. H.
 Donovan, Avery
 Dryden, C. E. and Wife
 Dudley, J. A.
 Dutton, C. R. and Wife
 Elderdice, H. L.
 Elderdice, J. L. and Wife
 Ewell, A. W. and Wife
 Ewing, Mrs. Emma M.

Farring, G. F.
George, J. P.
Gibson, N. O.
Gill, J. M.
Gordon, L. W. and Wife
Gray, J. W.
Green, A. H. and Wife
Green, J. Leas and Wife
Greenfield, Mrs. Kate
Haddaway, G. W. and Wife
Haddaway, K. K.
Haddaway, L. E. and Wife
Hanks, W. S. and Wife
Hill, G. J.
Hines, Geo. and Wife
Hoblitzell, Mrs. Ella V.
Hodge, Mrs. Emma F.
Holland, F. A.
Holmes, J. M.
Hooker, G. J.
Hungerford, M. E. and Wife
Johnson, Mrs. W. W.
Johnson, H. W. D. and Wife
Jones, E. H.
Jones, T. C.
Judefind, W. B. and Wife
Keen, H. O.
Kindley, B. W. and Wife
Kirk, J. W. and Wife
Kirkley, E. T.
Klein, F. C. and Wife
Leister, Guy
Lewis, T. H. and Wife
Link, J. N.
Litsinger, Mrs. Adele
Litsinger, W. D. and Wife
Litsinger, W. H.
Little, F. T. and Wife
Makosky, E. C. and Wife
Mather, A. W. and Wife
McCaslin, C. K.
McCready, Mrs. Mary C.
McDorman, G. E.
McKeawn, J. R.
McCorkle, F. K.
Melvin, W. A. and Wife
Miller, V. A.
Mills, J. L.
Moore, J. T. •

Murphy, H. L.
Neeper, Mrs. W. J.
Nichols, J. L. and Wife
Nicholson, R. Y.
Norris, J. W.
Nowlin, C. P. and Wife
Ogg, G. A. and Wife
Owens, I. S.
Parris, J. W.
Phillips, Mrs. Eva
Randall, Louis and Wife
Raum, A. F. T.
Reynolds, F. D. and Wife
Read, E. T. and Wife
Rice, P. L. and Wife
Roberts, W. P. and Wife
Ross, G. S.
Rowe, Mrs. R. S.
Ruley, B. F.
Schauer, P. M. R. and Wife
Schlincke, H. L. and Wife
Eexsmith, E. A. and Wife
Shipley, R. L. and Wife
Sheridan, J. M.
Simms, E. W. and Wife
Smith, Mrs. G. J.
Smith, L. B. and Wife
Stevens, Mrs. Sadie B.
Stocksdale, G. H. and Wife
Straughn, J. H. and Wife
Strausburg, C. R.
Strayer, W. M.
Sutcliffe, R. W. and Wife
Townsend, J. W.
Tredway, Mrs. Cornelia
Trout, J. W.
Van Dyke, E. H. and Wife
Walter, Mrs. Isabella S.
Ward, A. N. and Wife
Wareheim, K. H.
Warner, L. F. and Wife
White, R. W.
Wiegand, Mrs. Anna R.
Williamson, Mrs. Laura B.
Wood, S. C. and Wife
Wooden, J. F. and Wife
Woodford, T. R. and Wife
Wright, J. A. and Wife
Wright, W. F. and Wife
Yingling, Mrs. Ella

THE MEMORIAL ROLL.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day."—2 Tim., iv. 7, 8.

NAME	BORN	Entered Conference	DIED
Charles Rigby	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays .....	.....	1830	1831
William Bamber .....	.....	1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson .....	.....	1829	1834
William Kesley .....	.....	1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger .....	.....	1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh .....	.....	1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D. ....	.....	1833	1844
William W. Maddux .....	.....	1838	1844
William W. Ball .....	.....	1842	1844
William H. Boardley .....	.....	1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D.	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright	1823	1849	1859
Nevelle Steele Greenaway	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D.	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice	1814	1838	1874
John Robers	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards	1787	1870	1876
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D.	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D.	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S.	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb	1792	1869	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert	1851	1873	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	1808	1865	1881
Thomas Lee	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Wilson	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Alexander McFaden	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D.	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D. D.	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson	1840	1864	1890

NAME	BORN	Entered Conference	DIED
James Thompson	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D.	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L.	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D.	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D.	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols	1815	1838	1886
James Thomas Ward, D. D.	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D.	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes	1822	1855	1900
Laurence Webster Bates, D. D.	1819	1840	1901
W. J. Floyd	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve	1824	1847	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D.	1834	1859	1902
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D.	1835	1856	1902
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.	1830	1850	1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D.	1872	1899	1903
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D.	1846	1872	1904
Abraham Downs Dick	1826	1854	1904
Charles Humphreys Littleton	1829	1852	1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D.	1824	1842	1905
William Sim Hammond, D. D.	1832	1851	1905
George Durbin Edmonston	1844	1864	1905
William Augustus Crouse	1824	1870	1905
David Wilson, M. D.	1826	1845	1906
William John Neepier	1848	1871	1906
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D.	1817	1841	1907
Jacob Matthias Yingling	1847	1873	1907
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell	1865	1889	1908
Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D.	1828	1853	1908
James Thomas Lassell, D. D.	1836	1866	1909
John Bayley Jones	1833	1860	1909
Benjamin Parker Truitt	1861	1887	1910
Solomon Asbury Hoblitzell	1836	1859	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D.	1841	1863	1911
William Sherman Phillips	1868	1889	1912
Herbert F. Wright	1866	1896	1912
Robert Semple Rowe	1832	1865	1912
Charles Smith Arnett	1852	1875	1913
Samuel Joseph Smith, D. D.	1854	1877	1913
James Ernest Litsinger	1879	1904	1913
Jacob Ezra Nicholson	1844	1881	1913
William James Dillon Lucas	1849	1873	1914
James Earle Maloy	1834	1859	1914
Charles Walter Sanderson	1879	1911	1914
George Roberts McCready	1850	1880	1915
John Carter Poston	1833	1913	1916
Fitzhugh Lee Stevens	1866	1895	1916
Robert Thomas Tyson	1867	1908	1916
Thomas H. Wright	1840	1895	1916
Silas Baldwin Tredway	1846	1872	1917
David Lee Greenfield	1848	1868	1917
John Lee Straughn	1848	1870	1917
George Robert Hodge	1862	1889	1917
Edwin Oliver Ewing	1851	1884	1917
Joseph Augustus Weigand	1847	1874	1918
Charles William Cole	1837	1916	1918
John Solon Bowers	1861	1881	1919
Hobert Kendall Lewis	1865	1891	1919
Aquilla Augustus Harriman	1845	1871	1920
Walter Raleigh Graham	1852	1873	1920

OBITUARIES

John Solon Bowers, D. D.

Rev. John Solon Bowers, D. D., was born in Philadelphia, Pa., January 14, 1861. His father was Rev. Daniel Bowers, who was a prominent and honored member of the Maryland Conference. His mother, before her marriage, was Miss A. M. Dodd, of Chestertown, Md., whose family had been connected with the Methodist Protestant Church since its organization in that town. Dr. Bowers was received into the church in his childhood, and reared under the very best Christian influences, both in his home training and church relation. He also had excellent educational advantages. He was thus well qualified for the great work of the Christian ministry. He was received into the Maryland Conference in 1881, and appointed assistant to Rev. G. Q. Bacchus, on Dorchester Circuit. His ability as a preacher, with his splendid social qualities, made him popular and at once gave promise of a successful career in the gospel ministry. At the beginning of the second year of his itineracy he became pastor of Cambridge Charge, where he was very successful and remained three years. On January 3, 1883, he was married to Miss Lucy Parsons, of Chestertown. His next pastorate of five years was at Stewartstown, during which time the Parkton and Zion Churches were built. His ministry there was also blessed with large revivals, which strengthened all the churches on the circuit. In the spring of 1891 he was loaned to St. John's Independent Methodist Protestant Church, of Baltimore, and remained there for seventeen years.

During the closing year of this long pastorate, by his wise and judicious management, this old historic church, in which the Methodist Protestant Church was organized in 1828, after many years of separation, came with its entire membership and splendid property back into affiliation with the Maryland Conference and the denomination. He was transferred to Alnutt Memorial Church, Baltimore, and remained there until April, 1912, when he was elected President of the Maryland Conference. During the fourth year of his term in this office, and while lecturing to the students of Westminster Seminary, he was stricken with a serious illness from which he never fully recovered, although he continued in the Presidency for the full term of five years.

In April, 1917, he retired from the active ministry and went to his farm at New Freedom, where he lived in retirement with the hope of recuperating his health.

While there he met with a great loss and bereavement in the death of his only daughter, Nannie. This sorrow greatly depressed him and on August 20, 1919, he was again stricken, and after a few hours, passed from the earthly to the heavenly home.

Dr. Bowers was a man of commanding presence, a fine personality, a judicial mind and a pleasant voice. He was an interesting and able preacher of the Word. He was thoroughly orthodox. No uncertain note was ever sounded in all of his ministry.

While he was strong in his convictions, he was kind and loving in his disposition. He was well poised, and under the most trying circumstances

retained his calmness and composure, and was never known to show anger or animosity.

Because of his sound judgment, executive ability and business qualifications he was for many years in close touch with the activities of the Conference, and always ready to co-operate with his brethren in any movement for the advancement of his church. He was active in church extension work, and for many years was the president of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society. Western Maryland College honored him with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He was twice a member of the General Conference.

The funeral services were held at his late home, and attended by a large concourse of friends and neighbors. The chairman of the committee was assisted by Revs. F. T. Little, W. H. Litsinger, Louis Randall, H. L. Schlincke, G. R. Donaldson and C. N. Alexander, of the Methodist Protestant Church, and several ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The burial was beside his daughter, in the New Freedom Cemetery.

He leaves his devoted wife and three sons, Daniel, Dr. Cole and Frank, to mourn his loss.

We commend them to our Divine Lord for comfort and grace, and pray that the example and life of the husband and father may be an inspiration toward Godly living on their part, and that finally they may be an unbroken family in the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

J. M. SHERIDAN,	H. K. MULLER,
F. T. LITTLE,	J. H. ROBERTS,
W. H. LITSINGER,	C. L. DODD.

Robert Kendall Lewis.

Rev. Robert Kendall Lewis, born in Dorchester County, Md., December 27, 1865, departed this life in Uniontown, Carroll County, Md., December 28, 1919, after serving his Lord and church twenty-eight years in the gosepl ministry in the Maryland Conference. He served the following charges in the order named: Harper's Ferry, Mt. Tabor, Salem, Accomac, Susquehanna, Trinity, Belair and Pipe Creek.

On all these charges he was held in the highest esteem and respect, and his memory will be lovingly cherished by those to whom he ministered.

In the early years of his ministry he married Miss Belle Jones, the daughter of the late Rev. J. B. Jones, of our Conference. She was a devoted wife and a great help to Brother Lewis in his ministry. To them were given two children, a daughter and a son. Mrs. Lewis died early in life, leaving her husband to mourn her untimely loss, with the care of his pastorate and the two little children.

In this great trial, as well as in his later prolonged physical affliction, he was patient and trustful. After some years he married Miss Waters, of Somerset County, Md., who was to him a faithful and devoted wife, and to the children a kind and loving mother. To them was given a daughter. Mrs. Lewis and the three children survive and mourn the loss of this loving husband and father.

As a husband and father he was kind and considerate; as a servant of Christ he was faithful; as a friend he was true.

Rev. R. K. Lewis was a Christian gentleman, chaste in conversation, consistent in life, meek and devout. He was a faithful minister of Christ, a good gospel preacher, a kind and tender shepherd of the flock.

Because of this he was appreciated and loved by the churches that he served, as the beautiful, heart-felt expressions of appreciation of him from the members of this obituary will show.

Rev. C. P. Nowlin writes: "In the death of Brother R. K. Lewis I have lost a friend. Our friendship began from the time of our first meeting on 'College Hill,' in September, 1890. I found him always true. It was always a pleasure to listen to his sweet voice in song. At each Conference it was a pleasure to meet Brother Lewis. We feel greatly a vacancy in our ranks. Some vacancies we feel more sensibly than others; such is my feeling in the memory of Brother Lewis."

Rev. J. McLain Brown says: "Brother Bob, as he was affectionately called, was a lovable man. He was sincere in his friendship, consecrated in his labors, an excellent preacher, and a faithful shepherd of his flock.

He served this (Susquehanna) charge from 1905 to 1909, and was universally loved by the people here, among whom he had mingled in his ministry of sermon and song."

Brother J. T. Norris, of Belair Charge, pays this tender tribute to Brother Lewis: "I knew Brother R. K. Lewis for some years. He was eventually assigned to Belair Circuit, and became my pastor. He had served our people for over two years lovingly and successfully, when he was overtaken by disease and had reluctantly to retire from this field of labor, and many were the sad hearts he left on the work. Brother Lewis was one of the sweetest, most loving and lovable men I ever knew. I was always delighted when he came to my home to visit. Any one coming in intimate touch with him would soon become convinced that he had been with his blessed Master 'and had learned of Him.'"

Brother S. F. Miles, of Marion Station, writes these words of appreciation: "To me Brother Lewis was, indeed, one of the most lovable of men. Always retiring, meek and lowly in spirit, yet bright and delightfully companionable. And no one need wonder at the splendid work of so good a man in his high calling. Imbued with so sweet a spirit, he could but lift high the gospel standard as he did. He was a good preacher and pastor, and a sweet singer. Personally, I am indebted to him for some of the happiest experiences of my life. When my pastor, he was my consistent friend, and his preaching was always a benediction to me, for back of it all I knew the loving tenderness and compassion of the man."

Brother B. L. Cookson, a member of one of the churches on the charge (Pipe Creek) Brother Lewis was serving at the time of his death, pays this glowing tribute to his worth: "In the passing from us in the person of Rev. R. K. Lewis, we have come to realize the loss of one of the truest friends and co-workers it has ever been our privilege to know. Words are inadequate to express our feeling of bereavement. He was a good man; possessing a genial personality, a kindly, sympathetic heart, he won a host of friends beyond the circle of his church. He loved others, and in turn received back in kind in overflowing measure. With a

burning love for the salvation of souls, he became an able minister of the gospel. 'He being dead, yet speaketh.' We shall ever cherish his memory and endeavor to show forth in our own life the fruits of his faithful seed-sowing. 'To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.' "

His funeral was held in Wesleyan Chapel, Susquehanna Charge, where a large congregation assembled, though a bitter cold and stormy day, to pay a farewell tribute to one they knew so well and loved so much.

The funeral was conducted by the President of the Conference, Dr. L. F. Warner, assisted by Revs. J. McLain Brown, C. P. Nowlin, W. P. Roberts and W. B. Judefind.

His body was laid to rest beside the body of his first wife, in the cemetery adjoining the church, to await the glorious resurrection morning when the dead in Christ shall rise.

We shall miss him! We shall miss his kindly face, his cheery voice and his hearty hand-shake; but we are confident that our loss is his gain, because he has departed "to be with Christ, which is far better."

W. B. JUDEFIND, S. F. MILES,
J. McLAIN BROWN, J. T. NORRIS,
C. P. NOWLIN, B. L. COOKSON.

Aquilla Augustus Harryman.

The Rev. Aquilla Augustus Harryman, of the Marlyand Annual Conference, departed this life in Harpers Ferry, W. Va., February 20, 1920. He was the son of the late Josiah Harryman and Mary Ann his wife, was born in the parental home located at Gay and Monument streets, Baltimore, Md., August 31, 1845. His education was received first in the public schools of his native city. While yet a youth he accepted a position and devoted his time and energies to learning some special branch of business. He was converted during a revival meeting of unusual power and scope conducted in our Braodway Church by the then pastor, the late Rev. Peter Light Wilson, in the winter of 1867. He soon afterward united with that church and became an active member of "The Young Men's Praying Band." In that organization he found congenial companionship, an inviting field for Christian work and for the exercise of his talents in speaking and teaching. The call to preach came to him, in common with other young men of the Band, and he took up the study of theology with other branches under the tutorage of his pastor. He continued his studies under the direction of Rev. John R. Nichols, who succeeded to the pastorate of Broadway Church, and finally entered what was then known as the "Theological Department of Western Maryland College," where he remained until the spring of 1871. He joined the Maryland Conference in March, 1871, at its session in Chestertown, Md., and remained in the active service until April, 1918, when he superannuated. During these forty-seven years he served twenty-five charges in the Conference and is remembered affectionately and with appreciation by those who remain on them all. Brother Harryman was an unassuming man, shrinking from everything that savored of self-exploitation or self-assertion; content to take the place assigned him and with honest

effort and humble consecration to strive earnestly to make it better for soul-saving and general church efficiency than when he received it. He knew the gospel and loved to preach it in simplicity, sincerity and truth. He emphasized the story of the cross, repeating it o'er and o'er again in loving tenderness and beauty, without frills, or flowers, or speculative addenda of any kind. By native qualities and the grace of God Brother Harryman kept on the sunnyside of life's street, frequently by jest throwing the shadows from his path and greeting real difficulties with smiles. Hence he was the brother of the good-heart, the kindly spirit and the ready hand. Nevertheless he knew sorrow, deep, heartbreaking sorrow, and he went with it into his gethsemane of suffering where prostrate under the olive-shades he wrestled with God until heart bled and soul agonized and great drops of sweat rolled from his body. Victory came at length and out from the garden he walked calm, confident, courageous, to go forward with his loved Master's work, glad to realize with the apostle John that "he was a brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ."

Brother Harryman loved his church and stood loyally in defense of its doctrines and its polity, giving to it always a most willing and unfaltering devotion. The very sudden death of his beloved wife, Mrs. Ellen Wentzell Harryman, which occurred in November, 1917, was such a shock that his already failing powers really broke down, and, after fifteen months marked by increasing feebleness, he followed her to the Father's house of many mansions.

Rev. G. J. Hill adds the following: "While I had known of Brother Harryman for some years I was not in intimate touch with him until I was at Centreville and he at Wye, in Queen Anne's County, Md. At that time we were often in each others homes. I was impressed with his devotion to his family, his work and the cause to which he dedicated his life. His physical powers were then failing but his zeal and his desire to promote the cause of Christ had not grown less. It was my privilege to be with him when his devoted wife was called to her heavenly home. I shall not soon forget his expressed faith and hope in Christ as regards life, death and the beyond. His was a perfect assurance of all that he believed and preached."

Rev. G. S. Ross of the committee submits this tribute. "It was my privilege to be in Brother Harryman's sick room several times during his illness, and I could understand by his conversation that the love of God had made a deep impression upon his heart, and the stamp of God was plainly seen on his face. Those who knew Brother Harryman knew him to be a follower of Christ. His optimistic spirit enabled him always to see the bright side of things. His greatest ambition was to do his Master's will."

Brother J. E. Webb, a layman of the committee, makes the following contribution to this obituary: "Brother Harryman served our church at Harper's Ferry for two years, from April, 1895 to April, 1897. In that time he was faithful to all his duties as a minister of the Gospel, was an excellent preacher, and a sincere follower of his Lord and Master. He was always read to administer to those who were in need of his services, and was honored and loved by the people of this charge. The last two

years of his life were spent at the home of his sister-in-law, Miss Ida Wentzell. He was a regular attendant at our church on Camp Hill, while in health, which was up to December, 1919. In our conversations with him he always expressed the strongest faith in his heavenly Father, and was only awaiting the call to come up higher, in loving anticipation of the reunion with his loved wife who had gone on before."

His departure was wonderously quiet. It was a Friday night. The devoted sister-in-law, Miss Ida Wentzell, and the dear little daughter, Ruth, and the weary, worn preacher were sitting in the livingroom of the attractive home. Brother Harryman said, "I do not feel strong enough to go upstairs. I shall remain sitting here." Miss Ida relied, "Then we will stay with you." The pillow was readjusted at the back of the sick man. He pushed himself slightly down in the rocking chair and passed so gently, sweetly over the river that it was almost impossible to be sure he was not. But even so, for God took him.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, February 23rd, 1920, in the church at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., in charge of the chairman of this committee, assisted by Rev. G. S. Ross, the pastor. Snow and ice covered the roads and streets everywhere. The attendance at these services, under the unfavorable conditions of the weather, was a fine tribute of esteem from the people for the wornout preacher and the family in which he had married. After the services the remains were buried beside those of his dear wife Ellen to await the resurrection of the just. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. William Bortz, of Tionesta, Pa., by the first wife, and Ruth, a girl of fourteen years by the last wife, also seven grandchildren.

F. T. LITTLE,	W. P. WHALEY,
G. J. HILL,	J. H. CARTER,
G. S. ROSS,	J. E. WEBB.

Walter Raleigh Graham.

Nearly three score and ten years ago there died in Caroline County, of this state, a man who had lived long and usefully, and not without distinction, as farmer, preacher, inventor, builder and leader in his community. His work was benēficent, and not unprofitable to himself. His leadership was unquestioned, attested by an outpouring at his funeral that is still a tradition in the county. But the highest service he rendered to his times was to leave sons and daughters, from three of whom came five ministers of the gospel, the last survivor of whom, but one, we are met today to lay beside his fathers. Not one of these ministers who was not poor in this world's goods; not one arriving at any distinction of earthly glory; but they have given to the world for their food and shelter an aggregate of two hundred years of service in the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Thus Thomas Melvin was privileged to extend his influence and multiply his labors beyond his three score years and ten, and thus he and his grandchildren rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

Walter Raleigh Graham, son of one fo the daughters of Thomas Mel-

vin, was licensed to preach while yet a lad of seventeen, by the quarterly conference of East Baltimore Station, and entered Western Maryland College in the fall of 1869. He preached his first sermon in Westminster, when he was but two months past seventeen, on "The Baptism of Fire," and continued thereafter to preach as opportunity offered until called, in the fall of 1871, to fill an assistant's place on Finksburg Circuit, which was near enough to permit him to continue his studies at the college. In the following spring, however, the demand for preachers was so great that he left the college and joined the Conference. His third appointment by the Conference, in 1874, was as assistant on Kent Circuit. He came back to serve as pastor of the Chestertown Church in 1885, remaining six years and building this splendid church. He came back again in 1912 to serve four years more as pastor. And now we bring back his beloved body to rest among those who loved and honored him, and to whom he devoted nearly one-fourth of his entire ministerial career.

In that magnificent structure in London, St. Paul's Cathedral, thirty-five years in building, there is erected a tablet commemorative of Sir Christopher Wren, its architect and builder, with this inscription:

"He lived about ninety years not for himself, but for the public good. Reader, if thou seekest his monument, look around you."

So, most fittingly, we may repeat today in this beautiful edifice where rests at last he who labored so long and so well for the public good of Chestertown, "If you seek his monument, look around you."

And yet, splendid as this building is as a physical monument of the leadership and labor of the years Doctor Graham gave to this community, it is not his most splendid monument, nor the most enduring. Eleven years he also gave you in preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ in the glorious gospel of the blessed God. Eleven years he went about your streets bearing everywhere the standard and the inspiration of a blameless life. He went into your homes ministering to your sick, burying your dead, comforting your bereaved; a good man, a wise counsellor, a discreet friend; rejoicing with those that rejoiced, weeping with those that mourned, and in all things approving himself a minister of Christ, "by pureness, by knowledge, by long suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned."

Surely he is entitled to have inscribed on his monument, "He lived not for himself but for the public good." And, recognizing that the food and shelter which you supplied him during those years was not in any sense his reward, but only his due, you paid him also appreciative and loving esteem while he labored, and the reverent honor of a good and faithful servant you crown him with now that he has ceased at once to labor and to live.

Doctor Graham was a member of the Maryland Conference forty-eight years, accepting the appointments of the Conference to the pastorate of thirteen different charges without a break in the continuity of his itinerancy for sickness or for work in any other field. He served with a ministerial fellowship as distinguished for ability and consecration as the church has ever known. There were distinguished preachers among them. There were distinguished pastors, administrators, church builders and evangelists among them. But I think no one who knew Doctor Gra-

ham as a pastor and preacher would contest his right to be counted as a peer among the leaders of the Maryland Conference.

Three years ago the malady of which he died increased so much upon him that he was forced to retire from active service in the itinerancy. And since that time the years have all been full of pain, full of disappointment in being deprived of strength to continue his work, and full of affliction. He has known the pang of bereavement. He has been straightened in his ways and cut off from the joys of life, wearying through long, sleepless nights, and days of sharpest pain. Yet in all this "he sinned not, nor charged God foolishly." Indeed, the Word that tried him brought him also strength to endure, and he went through with it like a brave, godly man, unashamed and unafraid. On the contrary, the years of invalidism but deepened and sweetened the higher graces of his nature, making him more patient, more humble, more childlike.

He would not have been willing to say of himself, "I have fought a good fight." But there was not a day in his ministry when he did not rejoice to say, "I have kept the faith." He did keep faith with God and men. He kept faith with his calling. Resolutely eschewing all pulpit fads and fantasies, he was a sound, an instructive, edifying, eloquent preacher, and he exemplified and magnified the true dignity of a Christian minister, a workman needing not to be ashamed. He kept faith with his brethren in Conference fellowship, unobtrusively faithful in all the trusts committed to him, and in love of the brethren increasing to the very end. He kept faith with his family, both in precept and example, and his children, with a love and reverence I have not seen surpassed, now arise up and call him blessed.

And so God has kept faith with him. He has given him final surcease of pain and wiped all tears from his eyes. He has appointed unto him "beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness." He has given his beloved sleep.

J. W. TROUT, W. W. HUBBARD,
T. H. LEWIS, J. BIBB MILLS,
J. W. KIRK, J. F. WHEATLEY.

Caleb Joshua Burdette.

A Testimonial.

Rev. Caleb Joshua Burdette, for eighteen years a faithful preacher of the blessed gospel of the Son of God, left his dear ones for the glory land, January 10, 1920. The last two years he was not in the active work, and was living at his home, near Browningsville, Montgomery County, Md. Brother Burdette was seventy-one years and four days old. He was sick only a short time. While conducting a funeral of a neighbor, he contracted a deep cold, which terminated in pneumonia, which soon carried him away. His whole life, excepting the years spent in the itinerary of our Conference, was lived in the community where he lived. Brother Burdette formerly was a farmer, and owned a large, fertile farm, which he successfully tilled. It was by a destructive storm that God called this

good man to leave his house and land and follow Him. He obeyed, and no man among us gave a more faithful service to the church.

Up to the age of fifty years, Brother Burdette was a member of the Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church, and for many years the superintendent of the Sunday School. He applied to his own Conference for work, which was denied him because of his age. He then turned to the Methodist Protestant Church, and was placed by our Conference in the hands of the stationing authority of the President, and for eighteen years received his appointments and faithfully discharged his duty, and no man was more loyal to the polity of our church than he. He joined our church at Kemptown, and remained a member unto his end. I have known Brother Burdette for twenty years, and have been intimately associated with him in Good Templary work, and seven years lived in his community, and never knew a man to stand higher in the esteem and confidence of his home people than he. He was a great moral force, and he fought the liquor traffic to its death, and with it never failed to make his protest against its twin evil, nicotine. He was Grand Chief Templar of Independent Order of Good Templary of Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C., and was serving his second year. His funeral service was held on Monday, January 12, at 11.00 A. M., and was conducted by his pastor, Rev. A. H. Green, in Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church, who delivered a very forceful sermon from the words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matt. 25:21). He was assisted by Rev. Luke Beale, of Baltimore, F. Y. Jaggers, pastor of the church, and the writer.

The service at the grave was in charge of the Good Templar Order. Brothers H. O. Keen, Dr. Hess and Frank Hammond, conducting the service, with all the Good Templar taking part. The funeral service was largely attended. Brother Burdette leaves behind to mourn his loss, his widow, three sons and three daughters. He was a good husband, a loving father, an honest, upright citizen, a faithful preacher and a true friend. May the Lord comfort his dear ones, and may our end be like his.

H. O. KEEN.

Mrs. Eunity Elderdice.

Sister Eunity Elderdice, relict of the late Rev. J. M. Elderdice, of the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, was called from earth to her heavenly home on October 1, 1919, aged seventy-seven years, eleven months and ten days.

Sister Elderdice was born near Bethesda Church, on Leipsic Circuit. Her parents were William and Mary Vinden. She was converted in early childhood, and united with the church near her home. After teaching a while in the public school, she went to Mississippi to live with her brother on a plantation in that state. In 1875 she returned, and on May 19 of that year, was united in marriage to Rev. J. M. Elderdice, in the Methodist Protestant Church, by Rev. James K. Nichols, and became a helpmeet in itinerant toils to her husband until 1894, when he was relieved from his labors here to enjoy his reward in the realms above.

After the decease of her husband, she made her home in Mardela, and as long as she had physical strength, continued to labor for her Saviour. She taught a large class of young men and boys in the Sunday School, and had the joy to see nearly all, if not all, brought into the church she loved.

She was greatly loved in the community, and always had a kind word for all she met. She had a trustful spirit and ever leaned on the everlasting arms of her heavenly Father, and in consequence lived without murmuring and complaining. In her life was exemplified the faith of an earnest follower of the Lord.

In her last earthly conflict, for several weeks, her mind was feeble, and only at times was she rational. The day before her spirit took its flight heavenward, surrounded by Drs. H. L. and James M. Elderdice, and her three children, Mable, Dr. John and Webster, she rallied for a few minutes, and recognizing her children, tried to sing one of the old hymns, "O Heaven, sweet heaven, home bright and fair, How I long to be there." Her daughter, Mable, asked if she was thinking of heaven. She smiled and said, "Yes! Mable, we'll all meet there." Later she said, "I love everybody." These were her last words, just before her spirit passed into the heavenly rest of joy and love. Dr. John Elderdice, writing of his mother, says: "She daily lived Christ, and her life was the purest, noblest, most unselfish that he ever knew."

The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. I. S. Owens, Rev. Mr. Shipley, of Salisbury, and Rev. Mr. Krause, of the Baptist Church of Mardela, after which her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Mardela.

Rev. I. S. Owens, of the committee, writes: "Since I have been her pastor, it has been my privilege to visit her home on frequent occasions, and it was a valued one. She had known her Lord so long—had walked and talked with Him so much, no one could come into her presence and in touch with her beautiful, heavenly minded spirit, without realizing that she had been frequently with her Saviour, and had indeed learned of Him. Though she had been afflicted for some years, and was a great sufferer, yet, in it all, she ever gave evidence of the triumphs of divine grace."

Brother James Hopkins writes: "Sister Elderdice's noble Christian life has always been a great inspiration to me, and to all who came into contact with her. She was interested in all church work, and ever ready to speak a word of encouragement to those who were discouraged under the trials of life."

She was an ideal Sunday School teacher, and taught a class of young men. Many of these were converted and joined the church she loved, and today are members of the official board.

Her interest in church affairs never waned, though for years she was not able to attend the services of the sanctuary. She ever inquired after the interest thereof, and was ever eager to hear anything that was for the advancement of the cause of her Saviour, and the advancement of His kingdom.

Committee: A. A. HARRYMAN, JAS. HOPKINS,
J. H. STRAUGHN, L. W. COOPER,
I. S. OWENS, CHAS. BENNETT.

Mrs. Dora Benjamin Johnson.

Mrs. Dora Benjamin Johnson, devoted wife of the Rev. H. S. Johnson, of the Maryland Annual Conference, departed this life in the parsonage home of Calvary Methodist Protestant Church, in Baltimore City, Md., November 7, 1919, after a long and trying illness. She was the daughter of the late Albert and Sarah Catherine Benjamin, of Cecil County, Md., born February 15, 1868. Reared in the Sunday School and church of Bay View, in her native county, she early manifested those qualities of goodness, gentleness, amiability, sincerity and general capability which gave charm and efficiency to her whole life. Converted while yet young, she gave the flower of her youth and the strength and beauty of her after years to Him who loved her and redeemed her with His precious blood.

She was united in marriage with Brother Johnson at the home of her sister, Mrs. James M. Abrams, in Bay View, Md., March 20, 1890, by the late Rev. J. B. Jones, and was during all the years of their itinerant life a helpmeet in deed and in truth. Her splendid native gifts and qualities, sanctified and adorned by genuine piety, fitted her in an eminent degree for the many difficult and exacting requirements of a minister's wife. She steadily grew in grace and in the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus Christ, and early developed into one of the most efficient and appreciated local church workers to be found in all the circle of our beloved itinerant sisterhood. She diligently prosecuted her successful work in the primary department and Sunday School, in the church choir and Christian Endeavor Society, in the Woman's Missionary and Ladies' Aid Societies and, indeed, in every department of the church's work until wasting disease put the final period to her blessed activities in this world. Her lingering illness was marked by a patience more than human, and by a surrender so complete that her end was beautiful in peace and submission.

The fragrance of her sweet and Christly life lingers still in all the charges she and her estimable husband so faithfully served. In proof of which we submit the following from the laymen of the committee: Mr. W. W. Berryman, of Surry, Va., says: "Mrs. Johnson was with us for four years and I can assure you, made a host of friends while here. She was a woman of exceptional qualities and character, a thoroughly consecrated Christian, ever ready to lend a helping hand in every good work in the church and community. Personally, I have never known any one for whom I have had a higher regard. Of her it may be truly said:

"Her beautiful soul like a ray of light,
Has gone to the realm above.
Where never again comes sorrow or pain
In that land of celestial love.'"

Mr. H. A. Lewis, of Leemont, Va., writes: "Words cannot express all that Mrs. Dora Johnson meant to Leemont Church. Notwithstanding many discouragements, her faith, vision and diligence gave birth to our Christian Endeavor Society, and made it, for a time at least, one of the largest and most efficient in the Conference. Her consecration, thoughtfulness and gentle ministrations can never be forgotten by our people.

Some of the most worthy and active members of our Church today are the trophies of her personal work, and we all feel a real loss in her departure."

Mr. E. M. Brooks, of Calvary Church, in this city, writes: "My acquaintance with Mrs. Johnson began about seven years ago when her husband was made pastor of our church. She was one of the purest Christian characters it has ever been my privilege to meet. I am at a loss to know what to say about so excellent a person. From her earliest meeting with our people we all loved her for her kind and gentle disposition. She was always keenly interested in all church work, but most especially in the work of the young people, and the great amount of good she did in the Sunday School and the Christian Endeavor Society of our church can never be put into words. She will be remembered among us to a very large degree and in most affectionate manner for her loving attention and sympathetic ministrations during the 'flu' epidemic of the fall of 1918, often overtaxing her strength and going without food and sleep to visit and help the many sick of our congregation. She glorified God throughout her whole life, but never more so than during the last weeks of her illness, when in extreme weakness and pain she would calmly and sweetly say, 'God's way is the best way.'"

Dr. Sheridan says: "It was my privilege to know Mrs. Johnson intimately, and am gratified to bear testimony to her splendid Christian character and beautiful Christian life.

"She was a devoted wife, and sought to make her home ideal.

"She was deeply religious, and gave herself, in the spirit of true consecration, to the work of the church.

"She was devoted to young people and was always actively engaged in Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work. Her influence over young men and women was marvelous, so that wherever her husband was stationed, her activities centered in the young life of the church."

The Rev. G. M. Clayton, of the committee, pays this tribute to the departed: "Sister Johnson's rare qualifications enabled her to fill with distinction a large place in the work of the church of her choice. She was tactful, resourceful, courteous and sympathetic. Like the sunbeam that wakens the sleeping potentialities in the seedling, this good woman discovered and drew out the embryonic talents of her people. Her life was above reproach, and none was more considerate of others. Her sweet, charitable disposition and pure sympathy endeared her to the whole community irrespective of social standing or church affiliation. Her words were like 'apples of gold in baskets of silver.' She was a worthy helpmeet of a devoted husband—who is a faithful minister of the gospel—and a true handmaiden of the Lord."

The love and devotion of the local church members, congregation, and indeed of the entire community, was manifested by the concourse which attended the funeral services in Calvary Church on Monday night, November 10. All available space in the audience room, the vestibule, on the stairway, was occupied, while a large crowd remained on the pavements outside, unable to get standing room inside the building. The services were in charge of Rev. F. T. Little, assisted by Revs. W. B. Judefind, G. M. Clayton, E. A. Sexsmith and G. A. Ogg. The church choir sang

touchingly some of the favorite selections of the deceased, while the whole place seemed surcharged with affection, grief and tears, softened, sweetened, intensified by the Christian's blessed hope of meeting again over there where there is no more sickness, sorrow, pain or death.

On the following day, November 11, 1919, the remains were taken to Bay View, Cecil County, Md. The choir and many friends of Calvary Church, including Mrs. Johnson's Sunday School class of young ladies, accompanied Brother Johnson and the sorrowing relatives. There amid the scenes of her childhood, in the church where she first attended Sunday School and learned of Jesus and His love, where she was converted, grew to beautiful and useful womanhood, and from which she entered the itinerant ranks of the Conference, there, surrounded by relatives, friends of other days, and loved ones many, the final services were held by the chairman of this committee. Calvary choir sang beautifully, and at the conclusion of the services the precious remains were buried in the cemetery of Bay View Church to await the summons of the Master on the resurrection day.

F. T. LITTLE,
J. M. SHERIDAN,
G. M. CLAYTON,
W. M. BERRYMAN,
H. A. LEWIS,
E. M. BROOKS.

Mrs. William H. Litsinger.

Eliza (always known as "Bessie") Clunet Litsinger, daughter of the late Victor Clunet and his wife, Mary Shannon Clunet, was born in the home of her parents, 815 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, July 28, 1871, and lived there until the changing neighborhood caused the family to move to Bolton Street, during the year prior to her marriage, May 29, 1900, to Rev. Wm. H. Litsinger.

She was graduated by the Maryland State Normal School at the age of eighteen, the youngest member of a large class.

From early childhood, she attended the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church, being admitted to its membership June 10, 1886, and always took an active part in its life and work; being a teacher in the primary department of the Sunday School, and an active member of the Young People's organization. She often said that she did not know the day of her conversion. Those who were nearest to her have abundant reason to believe that her heart always responded to her Lord, and she made a formal confession of Him as soon as the customs of the church encouraged it. Her nature was to be frank and open—having nothing to conceal and no ulterior motives to serve, she was pure in heart, consistent in life, true and trustful.

After her marriage in the Franklin Street Church, she transferred her membership to the church of which her husband was pastor, and transferred it afterward when he changed his pastoral appointments.

She was taken sick February 18, but the illness was not considered serious. Necessity for a surgical operation, however, developed in a few days. The operation was performed February 27, and was regarded as successful, but in a few hours general sepsis appeared. She had the best available medical attention from the first, but her strength failed, and early on Tuesday morning, March 2, she went to be with her Lord. In the semi-consciousness of the last days, the dominating experience of her faith appeared in humming the hymns, "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour," "He Leadeth Me," "I Am Perfectly Safe in His Hands" and "Safe Home in Promised Land."

Thus she passed on the wings of sacred song to the heavenly blessedness of those who die in the Lord. Those who knew her loved her. Her life was quiet and unobtrusive, yet was full of sweet and unspoken ministries. Her manner was invariably courteous and gracious, but never affected or insincere. Her speech was always measured and discreet, but artless and ingenuous. Her ideals of the Christian life were lofty and devout, yet never smacking of cant or pietism. A bright and happy nature, she was glad that she could see the stars, and that she could live in the fellowship of Him who created them, and serve Him with cheerful and happy heart. She brought into His service the love and fragrance of a saintly spirit, extracting the sweets from the flowers of earth to exhale them in the circles of friendship she had formed. She was uniformly kind and considerate of the feelings of those with whom she came into contact, and toward her enemies (if she had any) her lips were sealed in sweetest silence. She was an unusual character, who impressed one by the pure winsomeness of her personality. In her presence, one never thought of talent or ability, or tact, or any of the acquired graces or gifts, which she had in abundance; you simply thought of her as a friend, a noble woman of a beautiful life, who was far more than anything she did or said. Behind her friendliness and cordiality, there was a reserve that suggested depth of spirit and soul.

"A soul, too, more than half divine,
Where, through some shades of earthly feeling,
Religion's softened glories shine,
Like light through summer's foliage stealing."

Her final church work was performed at North Baltimore, and it was indeed a great work, for she always exhibited to her associates and the children under her, a clear-cut, simple, loving and enthusiastic Christian character.

Her main thought in life was that God's work was the most important work in life, and that it must be done, even though great physical pain might result. So long as this work was being accomplished, she willingly assumed the position of a follower, but, when necessary, at once became the capable and enthusiastic leader. This spirit of labor exhibited itself in all branches of church life at North Baltimore, making her services invaluable and present a most helpful and rare example of Christian womanhood.

Her death so shocked her church that it stood for days in utter despair as to how her loss could be met, calling for the exercising of great faith

and Christian courage. The mourning days at North Baltimore will extend far beyond any formal length of time.

Her home life was wonderful, and her congeniality with her husband and the family was perfect. It was simply routine of an itinerant minister's wife's life, but it was refined and sensitive, amiable and affectionate. Her married life with her thoughtful and devoted husband was so tranquil and serene that it flowed on like a placid stream, and made their plighted love a solemn and enduring sacrament.

Besides her husband, she is survived in this world by two daughters, Mary Amelia and Elizabeth Clunet, her mother, one sister, Mrs. J. E. Litsinger, three brothers, Mr. N. S. Clunet, of Dayton, Ohio; Mr. Paul Clunet, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and Mr. Frank Clunet, of Baltimore. Her youngest brother, Mr. Chas. A. Clunet, of Washington, died a month before she did. She leaves also three half sisters, Mrs. S. H. B. Berryman, and the Misses Clara and Mary Clunet, of Baltimore.

The funeral took place from her late home, the North Baltimore parsonage, Thursday morning, March 4, being conducted by Rev. L. F. Warner, D. D., President of the Maryland Annual Conference, and the precious body was laid away in Rose Hill, Loudon Park.

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Mrs. C. T. Cochel.

Elizabeth Ann Thomas was born at St. Michaels, Talbot Co., Md., Nov. 10, 1838, was converted early in life, and was very active in church work in 1862, when one of this committee was assistant pastor on Talbot Circuit. It was natural that Rev. C. T. Cochel should try to win her as his helpmeet in his itinerant toils, and being successful in his suit, on the 27th day of September, 1865, they were united in marriage by Rev. S. B. Southerland, D. D.

From this date until 1884, they walked together in loving fellowship and mutual helpfulness, when he was called to be with Christ, leaving her to walk alone—no, not alone, for her loving Lord was with her, and four children were left to help fill the aching void, and to be trained in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

With aching heart and firm faith and resolute will, she girded herself for the delightful though arduous task; her great mother-love, reinforced by her love for her Savior and Helper, making this work successful as testified to by her children: Mrs. India May Hewes, M. D., of Brookline, Mass.; Charles A., of Malden, Mass.; Victor O., of Fall River, Mass., and Chester, of Baltimore, Md. These with four grandchildren survive

her and have the memory of her love and devotion to them, and her devotion and love for her Savior, the richest legacy a parent can leave to a child. May they cherish it, and following her example, may they meet her in heaven.

Rev. J. W. Gray writes: "I first met Mrs. Cochel in the autumn of 1865, in Snow Hill, Md. She had recently been united in marriage to Rev. C. T. Cochel, and was just assuming the duties and responsibilities that naturally come to the wife of a Methodist Preacher. She impressed me as an earnest consecrated Christian woman, as she was always deeply interested in the work in which her husband was engaged.

"Mrs. Cochel was a woman of fine personal appearance and of queenly form. She possessed a cheerful, happy disposition. She was not only happy herself but made every one happy with whom she was associated. She was an intelligent helper in every good work, never losing courage nor hope under adverse circumstances.

"Her piety was of a quiet, thoughtful, modest type; she witnessed for Christ by the force of a beautiful, consistent life more than by personal expressions of the lips. She was a tower of strength in the home, and her children rise up and call her 'Blessed.'"

Bro. W. B. Hartley writes: "Bro. Cochel was sent to First Church, Washington, D. C., in the spring of 1884. He and his wife made a fine impression; but Bro. Cochel was suffering from the disease which terminated fatally in the summer of the same year.

Mrs. Cochel commanded the admiration of the church and community by her beautiful Christian faith at the time of her bereavement. She took the burden of caring for her fatherless children bravely and was an example to be followed in this respect."

For some years, because of the infirmities of age, and not being near Alnutt Church, where she held her membership, she was not able to attend the services except at long intervals, but did go to service at a church near her home when she could.

She seemed to have had a premonition of death, for shortly before the end came, she wrote on a piece of paper her desires as to her funeral services, requesting that the 23rd Psalm be read as the scripture lesson, that "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" be sung, and that Mrs. Alexander Hamilton should sing "Face to Face." These wishes were carried out by her pastor, Rev. Louis Randall, who conducted services at the home, and performed the rites of sepulture at the cemetery at Bay View, Cecil Co., Md., burying the body beside that of her husband, for whose companionship she had yearned during thirty-six years of lonely widowhood. They have met in the glory land, and see Him "Face to Face," while their ashes, sleeping side by side, await the trumpet sounding on the resurrection morn.

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Mrs. Elizabeth C. Moore.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Moore, daughter of Tilghman and Pinkston Jackson Maloney, was born May 18, 1829, near Bridgeville, Sussex County, Del. In 1869 she was married to Rev. Thomas A. Moore, an honored minister of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, who died in 1881. On moving to Seaford, Del., Sister Moore, who had been a communicant in another church, united with Mt. Olivet Methodist Protestant Church and continued an esteemed and faithful member until her death, although bodily affliction and the weight of years precluded frequent attendance upon church services. She was a reader of The Methodist Protestant for three-quarters of a century, and was devotedly attached to her church and interested in everything pertaining to its development. She lived to see three church buildings erected on the site of the present structure. Sister Moore had a genial disposition, and although for many years seldom able to leave her home, she enjoyed company and welcomed the visits of her friends. During her later years her mind dwelt much upon the past, and a visit to her always called up reminiscences of the ministers of the Conference of former years, of whom she spoke with affectionate interest and appreciation. A fall resulted in a broken hip and other injuries, and on March 10, 1920, she peacefully fell asleep in Jesus.

Sister Moore left one son, Albert T. Moore, a professional nurse, who makes his home in the State of Virginia; and two nieces, Misses Mollie and Kate Hooper. Miss Kate lived with Sister Moore and tenderly cared for her in her declining years. The funeral service was held in Mt. Olivet Methodist Protestant Church, and was conducted by Rev. A. W. Mather; her pastor, Rev. B. F. Ruley, being sick and unable to attend. We miss her pleasant smile and charming personality, but as she lived to glorify God, we believe she has gone to enjoy His presence for ever.

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CONFERENCE SERMON

REV. E. D. STONE.

TEXT: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

Romans 1:16.

SUBJECT: The Power of a Living Evangelism.

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

There is not a heart that could remain unmoved if it would look intently on this great throbbing scene that is here being enacted,—a scene though very simply told and in a very few words, yet a scene the world will never forget.

The spring breezes are beginning to blow over the ancient city of Corinth. In the house of Gaius are seated two men, intensely absorbed in a mighty world problem. One is the much loved Paul, the apostle to the Gentiles, the other is Tertius, who, with his reed pen in his hand and strips of parchment lying before him, is looking intently into the face of the world's greatest preacher since the days of Jesus.

They are talking about God's loved ones who are in Rome. Although Paul had never seen them, yet he longed to come to them that he might impart some spiritual gift. He just felt he must see Rome and preach the everlasting gospel there also. How he longed to capture the imperial city for Jesus.

Rome, the mistress of the world, the place of the Caesars; Rome, with all her pomp and power, Rome of culture and scholarship, Rome the place where Satan's seat is; overwhelming Rome! How his soul must have quivered as he thought of it; thought of meeting that power at its gigantic center. But there is something else in him that rejoices as he thinks of Rome,—the power of the gospel to grip men, that grips them and lifts them up from the horrible pit and establishes their goings.

As he muses, the fire burns. How full his life had been and how wonderful. Since the day when the heavenly glory shone about him on the old Damascus road and the winsome voice of the lovable Jesus talked to him, life had been a marvelous unfolding of the plan and purpose of the risen and glorified Redeemer. His heart grows warm as he thinks of it. His face shines with a light that was not born on land or sea, his voice rings out in triumphant tones, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that be-

lieveth." Let us write it down and send it to them, God's loved ones in Rome. Phebe, our sister in the Lord, is going there shortly. We shall send it by her."

And so amid great heart-burnings, the letter to the Romans was written, the greatest of all Paul's letters, a letter that stirred the old world and stirs it yet. It is the throbbing heart center of the gospel that saves. Like a great unsheathed sword it has fought through the conflicts and perserved the faith of the church. In the wonderful marching legions of the Reformation you can hear the song of the men who are not ashamed of the gospel of Christ as they sing in triumphant notes, "The just shall live by faith."

Our theme to-day is the power of a living evangelism.

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ."

Behind this text stands the uncompromising conviction of this marvelous apostle, a conviction that had burnt its way into the very depths of his soul, a conviction that had gathered up the powers of his being into one mighty throbbing purpose and a conviction that had so completely mastered him that he determined that the whole world should know what Jesus had revealed to him at any cost whatsoever.

Something had happened to Saul of Tarsus; there was pulsating in him and around him the power of a mighty experience, and that experience had thrilled him and set him on fire. He could never be again what he was.

Saul was dead, but Paul was alive, for he had passed from Death unto Life. He was a man alive in Christ Jesus. What was it that had caused this volcanic upheaval in his soul? That had so completely changed him? This is what happened. He said, "I was apprehended of Jesus Christ. Arrested!"

J. H. Jowett, the great London preacher, has stated it in this way, "What happened on that road? This happened. 'I was apprehended by Jesus Christ.' It is a singularly vivid, full-colored, and picturesque word. It is used elsewhere in the New Testament of the overtaking of a traveller by a robber on a lonely road. 'I was apprehended.' The hands of the Lord Jesus fell heavily upon this man suddenly, as the hand of a robber would fall upon a traveller. He was gripped, and he was gripped with the seizure of complete possession on the way to Damascus."

This man was overtaken by Jesus, and from that very startling moment Jesus never let him go. He could never get over that Damascus road experience, that light blazed the trail to the throne of God, and that voice charmed his very soul, that light was the glory-light of the crimson cross, and that voice was the voice of the crucified and risen Redeemer. And now he counts all things but loss that he might win Christ.

Jesus was the flaming center of his message,—

Jesus, to him, was the gospel,
Jesus, who loved me and gave himself for me,
Jesus, who went about doing good, the divinely human Jesus, though he
was rich yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through His
poverty might be rich,

Jesus, who was made sin, who knew no sin, that we might be made, the
righteousness of God in Him,
Jesus, who was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our in-
iquities,
Jesus, who was stricken, smitten of God and afflicted,
Jesus, who was hated, and spit upon, and crucified,
Jesus, who arose from the dead for our justification,
Jesus, who ascended on high to make intercession for us,
Jesus, who with a shout of triumph is coming back again, coming with
the ten thousands of His saints, in glory that we might reign with
Him,
Jesus, Sweetest name on mortal tongue,
 Sweetest carol ever sung,
 Jesus, blessed Jesus.

Our hope and our all is in this Jesus. This is the heart of the gos-
pel. This is the evangel. This is Heaven's outpouring, this is the full-
ness of God's heart coming down to us to heal the broken hearts of men.

But there is one great point in Paul's gospel which always stands
out like a great peak in a chain of mountains.

It is the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ. The cross of Jesus was
God's great victory over sin and the gospel was the outburst of glad tid-
ings about this incomparable victory. His heart was set a-blaze by the
glorious achievements of the cross and with a glory and boldness born
of a great passion he went up and down the old world preaching the won-
derful good news of salvation for every man who would believe.

The gospel of the cross, the gospel of the flaming cross, the gospel
of the red passion cross, was there ever a time when this poor heart-
broken world needed it more than it needs it to-day?

Yes, in this thy day, it seems I hear again the voice of Jesus saying
these same words to us as in the day when he stood weeping over the
city of Jerusalem.

We are talking much about a new day that has come to the world
and a new viewpoint for the church of God, and we are talking of the
challenge and re-adjustments here and there. Things must be made over.

I think it goes without saying that there is come a mighty crisis in
the tide of human affairs. The old world is in a perfect nightmare of
unrest. It is passing through the most trying ordeal of the ages. Every-
thing seems to be out of joint. Everything seems to be going through a
revolution and change. It seems we have lived a hundred years in the
past five.

A new era has surely dawned upon us and we are standing in the
morning of this new era and wondering what it will bring forth.

Some things we are very sure of. There has been born in the hearts
of some of God's children a conception of what He means by a lost world.
We are beginning to catch somewhat of a glimpse of what He meant by
the vineyard and the laborers. We are catching some faint idea of what
Jesus meant by compassion and an agony of soul for lost men.

The new day challenges us to a great heroic struggle. It challenges the finest manhood and calls for the best we have. The challenge is laid at our door. Here is a world broken and torn, what shall we do with it? We must answer it,—God have mercy on us if we don't. It's voice is clear and ringing. There is no doubt what the challenge is, or who gives it. It is God's challenge. It means a fight to the last ditch, and don't think it will be an easy one. It will challenge the best we have.

What is this new day?

It is the grand exhibition of our monumental failure to keep step with the Master. It is the failure of the long-by-gone days collected for our review.

We are shown our yesterdays that our to-morrows may find a great heroic struggle to repair our failures.

No honest man will ever doubt that a cog has slipped somewhere as he looks over the heart-broken world, soaked in blood.

Yes, a new day, and we are shocked to see and hear the awful things that are happening—and yet everywhere you hear the cry,—

“The world is getting better all the time.”

Well, if that is so, somebody has been handling the truth very recklessly about world conditions. Daddy Russell said that we were now living in the millenium. If this is the millenium the dear Lord help us when the tribulation comes.

I just wonder if this cry of the world getting better and this security as to the work of the church, is not responsible for the kind of gospel we so often hear, a gospel that has no power in it.

This introduces to us a thought worth our while—

The Perils of a Christless Evangel.

The very headline sounds like a contradiction. How can it be an evangel without Christ? How can there be any good news without Jesus, the precious Saviour of sinners? There can be none. This all the more forces to the front our thought that what is being preached by many is anything but an evangel—all the good news has been eliminated.

Just recently there has been published a volume which has been given the name of the Shorter Bible. It has a wonderfully appropriate name. The Shorter Bible! There never has been an author with such a consummate nerve, who has undertaken to force upon Christian men a book with the truth so blatantly mutilated as this higher destructive critic of Yale University; this Shorter Bible has left out of its pages reference after reference to the Blood.

Romans 3:19-28. We notice in this passage verses 25 and 26 are omitted. Why should these verses be left out when to leave them out is to rob the passage of its one sublime meaning, for really the passage has no meaning when these verses are omitted. Let us read them.

"Whom God set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past through the forbearance of God; to declare, I say, at this time his righteousness, that he might be just and the justifier of him who believeth in Jesus."

If we look at the first chapter of Ephesians, one of those great chapters which grips the soul of the believer, we find the same thing happens. The great center point is left out, namely,—

"In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins."

Again, I Pet. 1:18-20.

"Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold. But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a Lamb without blemish and without spot."

We just notice one more passage, the first ten chapters of Hebrews are practically omitted, all the precious words about the Royal Priesthood are not considered important.

This is a thing that simply points the way, along the road that we are traveling. Why eliminate the blood, when without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins? Of course poor Jonah is left out entirely, and the coming of the Lord is not noticed, although there are more references to that great event than there are chapters in the new testament.

I feel sure that no true believer can doubt what spirit is behind all this. What short of a gospel is this? A mutilated gospel! The saving blood of Jesus is eliminated. Would you call this a gospel of power to save men? No, for without the saving blood, Christ becomes only a martyr to a lost cause, a Christianity without a cross and a bleeding sacrifice is hopeless,—and ye are yet in your sins and they who have fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

Nothing can be substituted for the blood. Christianity has but one great test, its saving quality, the regenerating power of the blood of Christ.

Before the church can ever hope to win the world, it must get back to that old cross. A fine ritual, the mass, a peculiar form of Baptism, a church altar and membership in the church, these do not make a Christian.

The saving blood of the covenant makes a Christian. "When I see the blood I will pass over you." Not what you see.

It's not what you believe, it's what God sees and thinks and knows. Most any kind of belief may do here but the blood is the only thing for There. I believe the most awful peril of the present age is a Christless, Crossless Christianity, a religion which has in it only Sentiment.

I remember entering the pulpit one night and a brother handed me a newspaper clipping. The article was a comment on Cowper's immortal hymn, "There is a fountain filled with blood." The author took great pains to ridicule this hymn, and spoke especially of its lack of refinement. He was so glad that in this enlightened period men were getting away from barbarism.

I wonder if this very thing does not express the sentiment of a great deal of our so-called modern day thinking. Do we go to the cross to see the tawdry garments of earth's refinements, or do we go there to find the shams of earth's glittering gauze? Do we go to the cross to hear the fine oratories of earth's music, or hear earth's finely worded rituals?

The cross, the cross of Blood, the brutal, barbarian cross, what is this cross? What is it that is so repulsive? Did you ever stop to think that the looking glass is not responsible for what stands before it?

It just tells the truth about us. It just shows us what we are. Here is God's mirror, this old rugged cross. What is the repulsiveness then? The cross? No. It is myself,—my sin, this is the repulsiveness.

I saw one hanging on a tree
In agony and blood,
Who fixed His languid eyes on me
As near the cross I stood.
Sure never till my latest breath
Can I forget that look,
It seemed to charge me with His death,
Though not a word He spoke.

Here is the awful repulsiveness, the brutality of my sin, the cross, God's mirror. It is this old cross that tells the truth about us. I see my sin crucifying the Son of God. No wonder we turn away, sick at heart. The old world will never know the heinousness of sin until it sees the cross. O how repulsive my sin must be to produce a scene like that. How repulsive it must be in the sight of God and in the dazzling whiteness of His divine Holiness. Thank God for the fountain open in the House of David for my sin and uncleanness.

When I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my Lord,
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down,
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Thank God for the cross, the old rugged cross.

My hope of salvation clings to thee,
O wonderful, wonderful cross.

There is another thought that seems to me is born here, another peril of a Christless Gospel.

We do not realize that men are lost.

I know of no sadder thing in all the world than the fact of lost men, not going to be lost. We often tell them if they don't repent they will be lost; no, they are lost now, not going to be. For six thousand years men have been lost and Jesus has been travelling up and down looking for them, and the only mission which Jesus had on earth was to seek and to save that which was lost. He never came seeking that which was not lost. Jesus understood this so wonderfully when He told us about the Prodigal Son. My son which was lost and is found, was dead and is alive.

How the heart of God must ache as men preach and write books about everything else except lost souls.

They preach the things of the times, they preach politics, they revel in philosophy, they talk wonderfully of education and art and the great masters, but oh, if they would only realize that men are lost, that there are men sitting in their churches and walking the streets of their community who are bound for the post of missing men where their souls can never find peace. Poor fellows, lost and undone, and the church and the preacher consumed by the things of the times and politics and philosophy and education and art and the great masters.

I wonder what would happen if the great thought that men are lost, the men over whom Jesus wept and for whom Jesus died, if this thought should grip the soul of the church and the preacher, I know what would happen. The gospel of Jesus would sweep this world like a living flame of fire and we would hear of men not only being sought, but won for Him.

We can never grasp this marvelous fact of salvation until we grasp the awful fact of the loss from which we are to be saved—men are lost!

If you question that statement, then the nerve of evangelism is absolutely paralyzed.

A minister once said to me, "You must preach some other thing beside 'Come to Jesus!'" That's what is the matter with the old world now. They have been invited to study everything else except Jesus, and we have a perfect Hell right here on earth. Some may say, "Well, I seriously question that statement." I simply ask you to read the accounts of Russia, and Germany, and Poland, and the poor Armenians, and then say if you can see anything Heavenly in that.

Is it any wonder that the cry of distress sounds forth from great leaders, "The church has gone on the rocks." Why it is a perfectly natural outcome. When the mariner throws aside his charts and compass and just sails anywhere, the most natural thing to expect is disaster. Is it any wonder that Godless men are laughing at the church, and the so-called failure of Christianity?

Why, it is rather amusing to talk of the failure of Christianity, when they have tried everything else except Christianity. Men are searching the wide world over for some new way, some gigantic way of gripping the hearts of men. Why not lay stress on the old gospel to save—Not a roundabout way of the gospel, or the use of some by-product of the gospel.

I believe if the seminaries of this country would return to a more faithful teaching of the simple faith, and the Bible as the inspired word of God, and send out young men with that abiding faith that God has spoken to men, and this Bible as the revealed word of God, this old world would feel the thrill of a mighty impulse such as it has never known.

It makes your heart sick to read what ministers are being taught and are supposed to teach to the people. Some finely wrought out philosophy, some twentieth-century age of reason, some modern idea, some twentieth-century Christ, if you please, some new thought, claiming to adjust itself to an age of materialism and Godlessness. I believe these things are the curse of the Church of God to-day. These are the things that have sapped the life and breath out of God's people. These are the husks upon which the people are fed Sabbath after Sabbath. Is it any wonder the half starved children cry out, "I perish with hunger," and the horror of it all is that the church of God sits by and watches the destructive critics tear up the Book without a protest, save a little cry here and there.

The destructive critic with his Tom Payne "Age of Reason" theology would not save a soul in fifty million years. It is pathetic to watch these men trying to carry on a revival meeting, they seem so out of place, so ill at ease, they seem not to know what to do with themselves, or the souls trying to get back to God.

I helped a brother in such a meeting. The altar was filled with penitents but he was so embarrassed that it was pitiful. My, what a shock; a Methodist minister, ill at ease or out of place in a revival. God help Methodism when it forsakes its altars and loses its burning heart.

"Preach the Word," is the commandment. I never shall forget the night I was ordained when Dr. A. D. Melvin laid his hand on my head and gave me the church's benediction and handed me a Bible, saying "Preach the Word." I determined that night on my knees at the altar of old Starr Church that I would never do anything else except preach that word, not what men said about it and not what some half-infidel scholar thought about it, not a psychology which eliminates the supernatural, but God's Word. Not a mutilated word, cut to pieces by the knife of a modern Jehoiakim, but God's Word, vital, complete, redeeming. And woe is me if I preach not the gospel, the whole gospel. If we preach not the gospel of Jesus, a gospel with the living breath in it, then the church has no message for the man in the pew and much less for the man in the street.

"But we must have a new gospel for this age, there must be something different."

God has no new gospel. We have all we shall ever receive. He sent His only begotten Son. There is nothing beyond this.

This is God's limit.

It is this,—or nothing,

It is the old gospel,—or no gospel.

We do not need to dress it up or re-adjust it. Take it as it is and let God use it.

"But it needs a new interpretation." Here is where the most of the trouble has fallen upon us. When a man begins to talk about a new interpretation, I begin to look around for a cloven foot and a pair of horns, for I know he is around somewhere. It is not a matter of interpretation,—It is a matter of Faith,

I believe Jesus!

Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. I believe they spoke under that Heavenly fire the words of God, I believe God said through them what He wanted to be said, I believe Jesus, when here on earth, spoke precisely what He meant, I believe He meant what He said, who is the man who dares to set himself up as competent to tell a heart-broken world what was in the mind of the Master?

I would rather take that old Book as it is than to follow in the Christless philosophy, or the Godless theology of the modern destructive critic, for then it is the blind leading the blind and they both will fall into the ditch.

Then vainly may a heart-broken world cry to the church for comfort and peace, then the lost wander on in their heart aches to their doom. Let's see. God's great program is the gospel and the whole gospel. God's efficiency is His omnipotent power to redeem, and his experts are the men in his pulpits.

We shall only have time to barely mention another peril of this Christless evangel,—

It is the power of a Christless Socialism.

We see its red banners flying along the roads of Poland, we see it terrorising the millions of poor down-trodden Russians, we see it as a volcano seething in Germany and we hear its low mutterings in many other countries, and even in our own beloved nation. There is nothing that ought to strike terror to the heart of the church as this red plague, these Godless men and women who hate governments, the church, and have no use for anything that speaks of self-control or being controlled.

They only see one thing—a Godless liberty that means tyranny to everybody else except themselves.

This is the crowd that glibly talks of the church's lack of interest in this poor, down-trodden earth.

I realize only too well the fact that very many ministers and church people have been neglectful of that great commission to preach the gospel to the poor. But I still know that there has been enough gospel preached to save them all if they were half as much interested in the good of mankind as they are in their own selfish pursuits.

The thing that always stirs my soul is to listen to some social service worker who cares nothing about God's church or Christ's gospel, talking of recreation and pleasure and bettering conditions, taking God's day as a holiday and disrupting the plans of the Kingdom. They talk very much about bettering conditions of society and the uplift of the masses and neglect the only thing that is capable of producing this very result.

They have one song to sing and only one string to their fiddle, "Give them better houses to live in and higher wages."

I do not wish to be misunderstood along this line.

I rejoice in the fact of very much better conditions for the working man, and I thank God I believe the day is past when he will ever submit to living in a hovel. I am glad that I believe the day is dawning when he will not be simply a number but a real man, not a part of a gigantic machine grinding the blood of men into dollars for huge corporations, but a part of an army of toilers who are grinding dollars into men and homes and better conditions. Now I think I shall be understood when I say the shallow headed talk about better houses to live in and higher wages and more Sabbaths to turn into holidays and more booze to drink will not do for men what a Christless Socialism claims for it.

We have only just to think about the Garden of Eden and the perfect paid and Paradise for their home, and yet the Devil played havoc with all of their happiness and peace and perfection and left a blot on the human race which nothing but the blood of Christ can ever erase.

If fine houses and plenty of money would make men good the folks who live up on Fifth Avenue would be archangels by this time, but I am told by the latest dispatches that there is nary a sign of a wing or any such like, but there seems rather to be small bumps appearing on their foreheads as though miniature horns were starting to grow.

We may build all the recreation centers, we may have all the public parks and swimming pools, we may have all the pool-rooms and billiard parlors, we may have all the cafes, we may have all the money we need, and the finest mansion to live in, but these have never been known to save the soul of a man.

The church of Jesus Christ has the only thing that can do this, it has a copy-right on it, it has a corner on it, and thank God, it cannot be counterfeited. It is the real faith in a real Christ who gave His life for men.

This brings us to a fine verse recorded in the book of Revelation which tells us that "he that overcometh shall have a right to the tree of Life that grows in the midst of the Paradise of God." We lost the right by the sin of this old world, we shall only regain it by the power of Christ's gospel.

It is not so much a fine house down here as an abiding place in the many mansions there. Not so much high wages here as Treasures in Heaven. Not so much the pleasures of sin for a season as the joy of the Lord which endures forever.

Socialism without Christ is a garden without flowers, a night without stars, a day without a sun, a scabbard without a sword, a storm without a rainbow, a day dying in gloom without the sunset's glow. All the Social Service, all the humanitarianism, can never take the place of the gospel of Jesus of Nazareth.

It seems to me I see coming over the fields of battle, coming to His own beloved, coming for this age of awful unrest and heart-break, this Blessed One, this perfect young man of Galilee, this redeeming Christ of the ages, this victor of all the world's conquests who has never lost a battle, of whom the angels sing, "King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah."

I seem to hear again the voice of the herald as he sees this mighty conqueror advancing, and he cries out "Who is this that cometh from

Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah?" And the victorious answer from the advancing King, "I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save." And He is able to save unto the uttermost all them who come unto Him.

The world can never be redeemed by a Christless socialism. There can be no brotherhood without the big brother. It is perfect folly to talk of brotherhood of man until they have been adopted into the Royal Family of God. The nearest you can get to that brotherhood stuff is, men are sons of Adam. But God has some better things for us.

"Beloved, now are we the Sons of God and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when He shall appear we shall be like Him for we shall see Him as He is."

In this the children of God are manifest,—and the children of the Devil. It is Karl Marx,—or Jesus. Let us take Jesus.

I remember very well being present at a meeting where Buck White, the great Socialist, made the address. What a beautiful picture he drew of Jesus, the carpenter, Jesus, the comrade, Jesus with his shavings about His feet, and with the sawdust on His clothing. After that wonderful description a minister arose and said, "Mr. White, do you believe that Jesus was divine?" "O yes, like you and I." "Do you believe that He was the Son of God?" "No more than you and I." O my brothers, this is a Christless Socialism. Jesus, a man, a carpenter, and nothing more. But somehow, that cannot satisfy me and my heart's longings.

When I hear the far-off bells of the sky ringing and the mellow glow of the sunset rests upon my soul, when earth is receding and the faces of loved ones are growing dim about me, when I hear the roar of the river tide and I know that the end is near, I do not want a carpenter with the shavings about His feet and the sawdust upon His clothing. I want the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world, I want Jesus, the mighty Saviour of helpless sinners. My soul, tired out with earth's toils longs for a place of rest and

I hear the voice of Jesus say,
Come unto me and rest,
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down,
Thy head upon my breast.

Well, we have been dealing with the perils of a Christless gospel, now let us examine the other side.

The Power of the Gospel of Christ.

What makes it a power? Paul says it is the power of God unto salvation, it is God infusing His almightiness and omnipotence into His infinite plan, and backing it up with His eternal purpose.

This is why it does such wonderful things. This is why it revolutionizes every one it encounters.

Jesus is the gospel in action saving a lost world. My, what a stupendous task! Yes, but what a power.

We shall never grasp the almightiness of salvation until we grasp the idea of the appalling power of sin. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

I am not sure that there are many who grasp the marvelous idea of this appalling array of the powers of darkness.

It is Hell, with all that means,
Arrayed against Heaven, with all that means,
But thank God, it is an unequal struggle,
Let God arise, and His enemies shall be scattered.

The gospel is the power of God. The Lord God Omnipotent reigneth; He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. This saving problem is His fundamental task and He will not rest until victory is perched upon His banners.

This gospel of power is not an experiment. It is a tried, true and proven quantity. He that goeth forth bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing bringing his sheaves with him.

Paul was not ashamed to carry the gospel to Rome for he knew of a greater power than Rome.

It was the power of Christ's gospel.

He knew it would do for Rome what it had done for other places and other peoples. Paul's chains clanked as he preached this gospel, but the chains fell from myriads of souls as he preached it.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free.

Every land and island has a thrilling story of this wonderful gospel. The story of the mission fields is only a chapter in this marvelous recital. The martyrs furnish a soul-stirring account of the cross, written in letters of flame and blood.

David Livingston, leading his millions from the darkness of Africa to the blessed light of Christ's gospel is only another great shout of triumph. And who is not moved beyond all expression as he hears the far-away cry of the poor Armenians dying in their starving agony, horrified by the unspeakable atrocities of the Turks who are the very stench of the whole earth.

I say who is not moved by this cry of triumph. They die like Christ's men, counting not their lives dear unto them, dying in the flames of persecution and yet their faces radiant in Heaven's own light. They looked unto Him, and their faces were radiant. I think sometimes God must have opened all twelve gates of Heaven and sent a special convoy of angels to carry these Armenians triumphantly to the City of God. O, the power of the gospel.

Around the old cross on that old-fashioned hill are gathered the millions of earth's heart-broken people, who have been delivered from the power of sin, looking up with gladness into the face of the loving Redeemer.

Mr. John R. Mott was leading a great service at Northfield. The auditorium was packed to the doors. It was a service in the interest of Christian missions. At a certain moment there were 28 people who filed out on that platform and stood in a semi-circle, every one of the 28 representing a different nation, making 28 nations, and at a given moment they began to speak all together, every one in his own tongue the wonderful works of God, and what they said was the text of this day, "I am

not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." What a marvelous demonstration of the power of truth.

We all have our theories about things, but let me say to you to-day one great throbbing fact is worth more than a world full of theories, one soul redeemed can tell a more wonderful story than all the eloquent books that have been written about theory. The world is sick of theories. It is the fact of the truth of Jesus Christ that it longs for most of all.

Theories are not very interesting, for there are as many theories as there are people, but one heart redeemed, and on life lifted up from the power of sin and set at liberty is a constant demonstration before the world that something marvelous has transpired in that life. Paul's whole system of theories about Jesus Christ was shattered completely in five seconds when the blazing light of the Damascus road shone around him.

Every now and then we are aroused by some new idea about salvation, some new theory, some new program by which the millenium is to be speedily ushered in, and we go at it and work it and finally like a beautiful sky rocket it fades away and is gone, and we are conscious that there is nothing left but the night of sin about us.

Who ever heard of a millenium without Jesus? Who could ever conceive of that sublime reign of peace without the Prince of Peace?

If we would fasten as tenaciously upon God's program to save and work at it as honestly as we do some other things we could demonstrate to the whole world that the power of the old gospel was all that the old world needed, and is all it will ever need.

This power of God grips the hearts of men and marvelously changes their souls, not only for this life but for that life which is to come. Our gospel came not unto us in word only but in power, and in faith, and in the Holy Ghost and in much assurance.

And it saves to the uttermost.

Even the downmost man has a glorious chance. There is no land so far away from Jesus Christ but God can reach it. There are no peoples however steeped in sin but the gospel can redeem them. There is no superstition so appalling in its magnitude but the mighty power of this wonderful gospel is abundantly able to save.

O, this blessed good news, that they who sit in the shadow of death may have the light of life; they who are downtrodden and heart-broken may have the sweet balm of Gilead. O taste and see that the Lord is good, blessed is that nation that trusteth in Him. Not only do we see this marvelously demonstrated in great nations and the great masses of people, but we see it in the individual man. Thank God we are not lost in the crowd.

God knows me. He knows my need, and He says to me "Every need of yours shall be supplied according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus." How wonderful that all is. All my need? All that my heart longs for? All the most blessed things for which my soul craves? Yes!!!

All that I am not, I may be,

And all that I am, I need not be,

That the things I would not be, but am, can be cancelled in the blood,

The things I would be but am not, I may be by the power of Christ,
For I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
When I am weak then am I strong.

Does not this give a great sanction to the words of St. Paul in his first Corinthian letter? If any man be in Christ he is a new creature, or more correctly, a new creation. Here again, we see God still at His omnipotent work, recreating men, and fashioning them like unto His own Son, while Heaven looks on and rejoices.

Men talking about the days of miracles being over just look around you and see the miracles of the gospel that God is working right under your very eyes. Men deep-dyed in sin are made new. Men whose sins are as scarlet made white as snow. How these incidents around us just set our hearts a-going as we think of them.

The final argument for a thing is what it does. The gospel can do and does do what nothing else can do, for it is God at work in His marvelous task of saving a lost world. Did you ever think of the answer of Jesus to the disciples of John when they came to Him and asked Him if He were the Christ or do they look for another? Did you ever notice the unanswerable argument which Jesus gave them, and sent them back with hearts aglow?

"The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them."

That was the sum-total of the reply of Jesus. Was it not absolutely an unanswerable argument?

Yes, and we ask for the gospel a fair test; if you do not believe my words, believe me for the very work's sake.

The gospel is the great channel-way through which streams the power of the endless life. It is the divine energy leaping through God's wires, lighting up the dark places of each. It is the dynamic of God, and what marvels are wrought when we are linked up with this power house of the omnipotent Jehovah.

If you wish to know church history just read the increasing stream of testimony of believers who have realized the redeeming and sanctifying power of Christ's gospel in their own lives. Men of every walk of life have felt its uplifting power. It has made happy homes, happy children, revolutionized towns and nations. But who could tell of the triumphs of this gospel?

See those twelve men leaving the old rugged cross on Calvary's hill, carrying the gracious gospel everywhere, the Holy Ghost working with them. It began at Jerusalem and Samaria, then to pagan Rome, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. Who is sufficient to measure, or recount the triumphs of the cross? From everywhere comes the blessed story of saving grace.

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ," and what it has done in the earth's dark places, it surely can do in America and in your field and mine, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth whether in the far-away or the right-near, where you are or where I am.

I was very much moved by an address delivered by Mr. Sherwood Eddy at the Pastors' Conference a few weeks ago in Baltimore. He said, "I am more concerned about America than India. Your home town and your community, go back and stir the hearts there, and by all means win them to the Lord Jesus Christ." I believe Mr. Eddy was right,—I believe he has hold of the right end of this string. Remember, the light that shines farthest away shines brightest at home.

We must make our churches great centers of power for God, for why should I talk so much about great united efforts when I am forgetting the men and the women without Christ in my own neighborhood. I have no doubt of what the gospel can do for a whole world, nor what it can do in your community and mine.

When the gospel becomes a real flaming power in the heart of the preacher it will then become a real, flaming, consuming, sin-destroying power in the heart of the sinner.

And when the sinners in your community and mine begin to know the power of God that saves from sin, it will be a very easy matter to get them interested in the saving of those far away from us.

Would you pardon me if I call to your attention just a personal matter? The first year of my present pastorate our missionary offering was less than \$50.00; but as conversions increased missionary offerings increased; this year we will pay \$1,200.00 for missions. Men will be interested in souls anywhere, at home or abroad, when they themselves know the power of Christ's gospel. Many a preacher in the pulpit imagines he is preaching the gospel when the fact is he is only working in an ecclesiastical dissecting room, tearing it up.

The saddest thing in a minister's life is not when he grows old, but when he loses his message. I do not mean the ability to preach great and splendid sermons so that men will say he is a great philosopher or a great orator or a wonderful scholar, and I would not say for a minute that these are not splendid attainments and I wish that we all knew more about them, but what I do want to say is this:—When the ambassador of the King has lost his message, the great heart-burning appeal to the hearts of the people, when his sermon appeals to a man's head and leaves his heart hungry, a sermon that stirs his deepest imaginations and never stirs his conscience about his sins, a sermon that never tells him "You need not be a slave, but a King's son," that sermon has lost its message.

What's the use of a sermon if there is no heart-burning message in it? O, to be reconciled to God. That is what I was sent to tell a lost world.

This is the message that I bring
A message angels fain would sing,
O be ye reconciled to God,
Thus sayeth my Lord and King,
O be ye reconciled to God.

I wonder if we have been true to this message? Do you often wonder, you and I? I know you do, and I am sure I take my stand with you. But when souls are not being saved, when our preaching does not awaken in

men a longing to love Christ and a hatred of sin, we had better begin a prayerful examination into the sort of gospel we are preaching.

But some one says "You must remember that there are different kinds of men and different kinds of churches, and we are not all engaged in the same kind of work, and we are not all evangelistic. Some of us are not among the so-called conservatives,—there are other phases of the gospel that appeal to us." I wonder, my brothers, where these different brands come from? The old prophets and the disciples and apostles and the Blessed Redeemer, did not seem to know anything about these great differences of which you speak.

One and all, from the burning bush where God talked to Moses hidden in the flames, across the centuries to John who saw the most lovely face amid the golden candlesticks, their message was one message, and like a living tongue of flame it swept across the pages of history.

Well, if the kind of work you are doing and the place where you are does not afford the opportunity for the power of the gospel to work, I would give that job up at once. I would not waste God's time, and fail to deliver God's message. Our commission reads,

"Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature." And "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I send it."

I want to tell you of an incident in my own experience which I can never forget. It was in the old Smith Hall Chapel at Western Maryland College when Dr. Lewis was giving his series of Sunday evening sermons on the Divine Credentials. I shall never cease to thank God for those evenings, for they seemed to mold my convictions and to establish my faith. How my soul was warmed until it seemed I could see God's face in that dear old book and hear his voice speaking to me from its hallowed pages.

I cannot help but feel that during those days the strong foundations of my faith were laid. Baker Chapel is a dear spot to men and women in many parts of this country of ours. Our Lord Jesus has been introduced to many a young man and woman by the matchless power of this prince of preachers.

And this opens to us our last thought.

The Evangelist Who Preaches the Gospel of Christ.

What a blessed title. The one who brings the good tidings. "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; say unto Zion, Thy God reigneth."

Jesus was the ideal evangelist. He went about doing good. Jesus was always conscious of his wonderful mission. He was true to His divine commission. He had only one flaming message. "The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which is lost."

And all up and down that little country he went scattering His blessings, and preaching the Kingdom of God until the day came when the Evangelist must die for His Evangel, when the King must pay the supreme sacrifice for His Kingdom, when Jesus Christ, my dear Lord and Saviour, was

CRUCIFIED.

Here then is the first great fact or characteristic of the evangelist.

He must be a crucified man. Paul said, "I am crucified with Christ." There is but little use for us to attempt to preach the blessed evangel unless like our Great Evangelist we have been to the Jordan, to the Wilderness, Gethsemane, and Calvary, and best of all to the glorious Easter Garden.

Before we can make Jesus known we must know Jesus. I must become a part of Him. How splendidly Jesus put it, "I in you, and you in Me." I in Him? That's my standing. Jesus in me? That's my power. I am sure that this must be the relationship before we can ever know the glory of the evangel which we preach.

I said a bit ago that we must pass with Him through all these crises. I want to call your attention especially to Gethsemane and Calvary. This is specifically the place of agony where is born our great salvation.

I wonder if we are not finding out now something of what Paul meant when he prayed, "O that I might know Him in the fellowship of His suffering, and the power of His resurrection." The Kingdom of Jesus was born out of the heart agony of the King. What a thought for us today.

Everything is born in an agony. Jesus died of a broken heart and I believe it is broken yet.

I wonder if we are trying to escape crucifixion; I wonder if we are trying to evade sacrifice as King's sons for the kingdom; I wonder if in these days we are looking for ease and comfort; I wonder really if there is a prayer in the hearts of men to-day like the prayer of Paul?

"O that I might know Him in the fellowship of His suffering."

I wonder if we glory in tribulation?

It is said of Jesus when he was dying on the cross that a throng of men sat down and watched Him there.

Do we gather about that cross to-day? And look up into that face full of compassion and heart-agony for a lost world.

I wonder now as we look at this picture, are we trying to escape crucifixion, is it all so abhorrent to us?

Let me remind you of the tradition of Peter fleeing from Rome and martyrdom and meeting Jesus on the highway, cried out, "Whither goest thou, Lord Jesus?" And He said, "I am going back to Rome to be crucified."

Peter was shocked and ashamed, and quickly retraced his steps to take his place among the suffering ones of Rome, and is it any wonder that when Peter came to his death the same tradition tells us that his only request was that he might be crucified with his head down, for he said, "I am not worthy to die as did my Master."

O my brothers, preaching is not a profession, not a fine opportunity to make a living, not an attempt to fit in a niche in life's great work.

It is a Holy Passion, it is a flame blazing out in its burning glory.

A holy passion born indeed in Gethsemane and Calvary and it is out of the heart that feels that he is crucified unto the world and the world crucified unto him that he preaches the everlasting gospel. Yes, it is the gospel of a broken-hearted Jesus.

How wonderfully Jowett puts it in just two or three sentences. "The gospel of broken hearts demands the ministry of bleeding hearts. Cease to bleed, and we cease to bless." Tearless hearts can never be the heralds of the Passion. We must bleed, if we shall be the servants of the Saving Blood.

My brothers, as we stand before this marvelous Passion we are amazed. My soul thrills as I think of Paul and Moses, how well they knew the foot-path to Calvary, one in the far-away and the other close-up. Listen to the notes of the son of the Saving Passion.

"For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren that by any means I might save some."

And Moses, standing in the breach,

"Forgive them, and if not, then blot me, I pray Thee, out of Thy Book which Thou hast written."

The glory of the cross surely is here. This is sacrifice sublime, and this is matchless intercession, and this is a gospel that must win

What do we know about this? Do we find ourselves prostrate on our faces for the modern Sodom as Abraham pleading with God with strong cries and tears?

Do we stand as did Heaven's blessed Evangelist weeping over our people in broken sobs until our tongue break out in an eloquent passion for the lost?

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, but ye would not. O if thou hadst known in this thy day the peace that belongeth unto thee, but now it is hidden from thee, and thy house is left unto thee desolate."

Is not this really the passion, is not every word radiant with Heaven's own light, every sentence is wafted on the wings of love divine.

O yes, this is the call, a call to suffer, a call to the most holy war, God is calling us, God is looking for men of real red blood, this war must be won, and God expects us to do our share.

Don't flinch at the cross, but take it up and follow the Master. Let your triumphant cry be "By this sign we conquer."

The cross was Jesus' victory, let it be yours. God went His limit when he sent Jesus. Jesus went His limit when He came. Dare we to do less? Not if we are the heralds indeed of the Saving Passion.

O my soul, what is thy glory,—what passion consumes thee? It seems I hear the answer coming from the tireless heralds of the Passion,—

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of Time,
All the light of sacred story,
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me,
Lo! It glows with peace and joy.

The Power of the Evangelist.

The difference between the live wire and the dead wire is the current.

The difference between live men and dead men in the Kingdom is the current, the power of the Holy Ghost.

It is most important of all that "Ye tarry at Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on High," power to preach, power to serve. Stay there until like Moses, your people may see on your face the glow of the Heavenly Shechinah. Abide in the secret place until you know that God has spoken to your soul and sent you forth with the living tongue of fire to preach the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ. Stay there until the Holy Ghost takes the things of Jesus and shows them unto you. Stay there until that Holy Stream flows into your life and your soul glows with the white heat of Heaven.

We shall know then what this triumphant burst of holy enthusiasm means. We will know then what it means to be alive for God, we may then understand when I say, We must burn, before we shine.

He burns up all the dross, the shame, and the man-fearing spirit, and gives us the glory of Heaven's own freedom. A slave indeed of the Lord Jesus, but a free born citizen of Heaven, for where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Come, Spirit, come, with light divine,
Descend, O Heavenly Dove,
Shine in until this heart of mine,
Is all aglow with love.

Go ye, then, blood-washed heralds of the Living Evangel, go ye, anointed of God, and you, my brothers, who are not called to stand in the breach but who so loyally stand by and hold up our hands as we help in God's fight, go, my brothers, your hearts hot with the living flame and the holy light of God on your faces.

Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing, be ye clean that bear the vessels of the Lord, for the Lord will go before you and the God of Israel will be your rear-ward."

Go, lift the old world with its tears and sins and hearts' agony, lift it up and higher yet, and up to the throne, lift it out of sin, and with shouts of rejoicing lay it at the feet of your Redeemer, washed in the blood of the Lamb.



FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number	Charge	President.		Conference.		Ministerial Ed'n		Theological Seminary.		Western Maryland College.		Superannuates.		Church Exten.		Home Missions.		Foreign Miss'ns.		Church Home		Deaconess Home		Young People's Work	
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2	Alexandria, Va.....	16	16	5	5	3	3	6	6	7	7	20	20	22	22	9	9	10	10	20	20	10	10	2	2
3	Amelia, Va.....	13	13	5	4	3	2	6	6	9	6	22	22	21	15	9	7	10	10	20	20	9	5	3	2
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4	Alnutt Mem'l....	75	75	15	15	15	15	38	38	16	16	106	106	124	124	52	52	58	58	90	90	50	50	5	5
5	Bethany.....	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	8	8	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
6	Broadway	33	33	8	8	7	7	18	18	10	10	47	47	55	55	22	22	25	25	38	38	30	20	2	2
7	Brooklyn.	27	27	5	5	5	5	12	12	11	11	36	36	40	40	16	16	18	18	32	32	18	18	3	3
8	Calvary.....	20	20	6	6	3	103	9	9	17	17	27	27	30	30	13	13	15	15	24	24	8	8	5	5
9	Chesaco Park	3	3	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	5	5	6	6	1	1	1	1	4	4	3	3	1	1
10	Christ Church ..	55	55	11	11	11	11	23	23	34	34	70	70	64	64	26	26	30	30	60	60	25	25	10	10
11	East Baltimore ..	37	37	10	10	7	7	19	19	7	7	53	53	62	62	24	24	28	28	44	44	23	23	3	3
12	Eutaw.....	24	24	6	6	5	5	10	10	8	8	33	33	35	35	15	15	17	17	30	30	15	15	3	3
13	Evergreen.....	16	16	5	5	3	3	6	6	8	8	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	20	20	10	10	2	5
14	Hampden	56	56	13	13	10	10	24	24	27	27	90	90	80	80	30	30	40	40	82	82	35	35	13	13
15	Keen Memorial	27	27	6	6	6	6	13	13	15	15	36	36	40	40	16	16	18	18	32	32	18	18	3	3
16	Lauraville	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	12	12	22	22	24	24	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
17	Lowe Memorial.	30	30	8	8	8	8	15	15	18	18	46	46	39	39	20	20	22	22	40	40	20	20	5	5
18	North Baltimore	55	55	11	11	10	10	27	27	10	10	62	62	72	72	29	29	37	37	40	40	35	35	5	5
19	Payson Street ..	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	5	5	20	20	24	24	9	9	10	10	16	16	8	8	1	1
20	South Baltimore	27	27	6	6	6	6	12	12	12	12	38	38	40	40	16	16	18	18	34	34	18	18	4	4
21	Starr	80	80	15	15	15	15	42	42	16	16	118	118	134	134	55	55	63	63	90	90	55	55	6	6
22	St Johns.....	85	85	15	15	15	15	42	42	19	19	118	119	134	134	55	55	63	77	90	90	55	55	6	6
23	St. Pauls.....	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	16	16	25	25	22	22	9	9	10	10	22	22	8	8	4	14
24	Trinity.....	4	10	2	4	2	4	1	3	3	6	3	7	1	3	1	3	1	3	4	9	2	5	1	3
25	Violetville.	11	11	4	4	3	3	4	4	4	4	12	12	15	15	5	5	6	6	12	12	8	8	1	1
26	Waverly.....	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	10	10	19	19	22	22	9	9	10	10	16	16	8	8	1	1
27	West Baltimore..	80	80	15	15	16	16	40	40	24	24	110	110	125	125	52	52	60	60	94	94	50	50	7	7
28	Wilton Heights .	16	16	7	7	5	5	8	8	18	18	28	28	28	28	11	11	12	12	24	24	10	10	4	4
29	Baltimore Circuit..	27	27	6	6	6	6	10	10	14	14	37	37	56	56	15	15	20	20	34	34	15	15	5	5
30	Bedford, Pa.....	37	37	9	9	7	7	19	19	20	20	55	55	62	62	24	24	28	28	46	46	23	23	4	4
31	Belair	33	33	8	8	6	6	16	16	14	14	51	56	51	51	21	21	24	24	24	24	20	20	5	5
32	Bivalve.....	27	27	6	4	5	4	12	8	10	5	36	20	40	15	16	10	18	6	32	5	18	...	3	3
33	Buckeystown.....	80	80	15	15	15	15	38	38	16	16	106	106	124	124	52	52	58	58	90	90	50	50	5	5
34	Cambridge	43	43	10	10	8	8	21	21	19	19	62	62	68	68	28	28	29	29	52	52	28	28	5	5
35	Campbell, Va.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	Cannon, Del.....	13	13	2	2	3	3	5	5	7	7	17	17	17	17	7	7	9	9	17	17	8	8	2	2
37	Caroline.....	31	31	8	8	7	7	15	15	10	10	42	42	49	49	20	20	22	22	36	36	20	20	3	3
38	Cecil	28	28	7	5	5	5	15	7	15	15	41	32	45	30	18	5	21	10	34	15	18	10	3	3
39	Centreville.....	24	24	5	5	5	5	10	10	3	3	31	31	35	35	15	15	17	17	28	28	15	15	2	2
40	Chestertown	77	77	14	14	14	14	37	37	13	13	102	102	120	120	50	50	55	55	86	86	48	48	6	6
41	Chincoteague, Va.	20	20	4	4	3	...	10	...	9	...	29	18	31	...	14	...	14	...	24	...	13	...	2	...
42	Clayton, Del.....	33	33	8	8	6	6	16	14	15	13	51	30	52	31	21	14	24	24	44	15	20	12	5	4
43	Concord, Pa.....	24	24	6	4	5	2	10	8	8	5	33	15	35	17	15	10	17	11	30	15	15	6	3	3
44	Conquest, Va	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	8	8	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
45	Crisfield: Crisfield	60	60	14	14	14	14	32	32	35	35	88	88	95	95	42	42	46	46	72	72	43	43	7	7
46	Lawsonia	5	5	2	2	1	1	3	3	3	3	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	2	2	1	1
47	Mariners	27	27	5	5	4	4	9	9	12	12	32	32	14	14	14	14	16	16	34	34	18	18	4	4
48	Crumpton	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	4	4	19	19	9	9	9	...	10	10	16	...	8	8	1	1
49	Cumberland: 1st Ch.	33	33	9	9	6	6	16	16	10	10	49	49	52	52	21	21	24	24	42	42	20	20	4	4
50	Mapleside	11	11	4	4	3	3	4	4	8	8	14	14	15	15	5	5	6	6	14	14	8	8	2	2
51	Melvin Chapel..	11	11	4	4	3	3	4	4	8	8	14	14	15	15	5	5	6	6	14	14	8	8	2	2

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Ass'd	Paid																		Ass'd	Paid.																			
314	314	56	15	...	1713	2098	1000	1200	100	317	232	269	...	95	2213	4311	1																		
130	130	25	10	...	284	449	850	850	450	229	331	80	268	217	2425	2874	2																		
130	112	32	650	794	1000	1000	75	...	50	1125	1919	3																		
644	644	10	187	141	10	12	5384	6388	1800	1900	360	1710	258	303	...	395	1926	11314	4																		
125	125	...	5	5	248	383	800	606	300	149	412	...	200	5	1672	2055	5																		
285	285	12	5	...	1132	1434	1500	1500	480	264	63	150	...	463	2920	4354	6																		
223	223	22	100	23	85	2125	2578	1040	1240	300	287	250	623	...	122	2822	5400	7																	
177	277	15	66	...	...	...	20	25	1209	1612	1325	1325	360	390	212	1836	...	285	44'8	6020	8																
29	29	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	38	500	500	...	60	25	500	...	52	1137	1175	9																
419	419	83	197	72	...	...	75	159	3741	4746	1600	1600	600	500	590	200	400	3517	7407	1153	10																
317	317	6	125	...	...	...	194	10	18	859	1529	1300	1300	600	639	559	770	...	232	4100	5629	11															
201	201	40	110	104	255	145	45	1750	2650	1400	1500	400	586	206	864	1000	497	5053	7703	12																			
132	135	10	56	...	...	...	5	...	812	1018	900	900	...	300	225	310	...	230	1965	2963	13																
500	500	800	232	...	...	...	150	40	...	6015	7737	1500	2181	420	1249	1427	1500	...	2573	9850	17087	14															
230	230	...	47	12	...	...	...	50	100	439	1300	1400	600	600	400	500	...	300	3800	4239	15																
132	132	...	...	25	...	...	9	...	721	887	1000	1010	...	250	200	142	...	70	1672	2559	16																
271	271	35	60	...	...	...	...	47	2669	3052	1750	1750	300	900	500	150	3500	400	7500	10'82	17																
393	393	424	309	...	...	...	195	49	243	9130	10743	2000	2000	600	1406	306	1855	...	764	6925	17668	18															
120	120	45	...	...	...	...	10	28	476	677	600	650	226	250	75	650	...	469	2320	2997	19																
231	231	35	48	...	...	...	10	25	35	384	1300	1500	500	500	150	2200	...	590	5440	5824	20																
689	689	20	195	135	...	...	25	...	3369	4433	2500	2500	1500	2500	600	400	2000	3450	12950	17383	21																
697	712	232	575	120	10	37	197	7694	9577	2500	2500	750	1976	600	750	750	1155	8481	18058	22																			
143	153	20	15	...	...	...	25	20	...	115	348	1400	1400	400	260	540	...	5400	1126	9126	9474	23															
25	60	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	115	700	700	275	200	171	245	212	48	2546	2661	24																
85	85	17	...	...	...	...	25	24	42	738	931	500	500	276	66	145	144	325	117	1573	2504	25															
122	122	6	2	2	2	5	...	...	196	335	700	755	240	243	232	252	...	170	1892	2227	26																
673	673	550	288	175	250	50	60	5379	7435	1800	2000	700	1659	530	1500	...	1391	7780	15215	27																			
171	171	15	108	...	...	...	18	...	1020	1332	1500	1500	...	537	435	50	750	1524	4796	6128	28																
245	245	34	...	...	...	...	30	...	1734	2043	1000	1000	400	230	219	285	250	45	2409	4452	29																
334	334	15	...	...	...	...	15	5	...	707	1076	1000	1000	50	257	180	484	...	381	2352	3428	30															
273	283	116	...	...	...	...	10	4	1414	1827	1000	1075	420	400	140	72	...	...	2107	3934	31																
223	107	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	107	...	900	900	200	350	180	500	...	25	2155	2262	32																
649	649	103	180	101	...	...	50	158	5031	6272	1500	1500	250	408	150	447	...	410	3165	9437	33																
873	373	30	...	...	...	...	20	...	41	930	1394	1200	1300	300	555	400	...	2000	358	4913	6307	34															
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35																
107	107	15	...	...	...	...	3	...	379	504	600	600	150	80	89	...	...	24	943	1447	36																
263	263	17	...	...	...	...	30	...	891	1201	900	900	150	800	225	25	...	40	1640	2841	37																
250	155	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	106	291	1000	885	125	250	75	...	...	65	1400	1691	38																
190	190	50	...	...	...	...	10	10	750	1010	700	700	300	340	50	150	...	170	1710	2720	39																
622	622	69	...	...	...	...	52	...	4099	4842	1500	1500	500	650	250	425	...	525	3850	8692	40																
173	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	800	800	120	103	48	...	...	65	1136	1160	41																
295	204	45	2	2	69	6	16	834	1178	800	800	125	300	235	575	...	...	...	2035	3213	42																
201	120	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	276	396	650	650	50	125	61	150	...	...	1036	1432	43																
125	125	25	...	...	...	...	12	...	756	918	700	700	144	167	35	1011	...	379	2436	3354	44																
548	548	100	121	...	...	...	75	27	3276	4147	1500	1700	200	918	354	850	...	333	4355	8502	45																
33	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	147	180	700	700	60	24	...	100	...	...	884	1064	46																
189	189	32	...	...	...	...	7	...	727	955	900	900	125	313	175	...	...	228	1741	2696	47																
103	78	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	245	329	450	461	75	111	14	...	...	67	728	1057	48																
286	286	...	...	...	...	...	15	21	1742	2079	1200	1200	300	700	325	...	...	552	3077	5156	49																
94	94	61	196	351	800	800	...	86	78	32	996	1347	50																		
94	94	213	307	900	900	...	6	65	102	1073	1380	51																		

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Number	Charge	President.		Conference.		Ministerial Ed'n		Theological Seminary.		Western Mary-land College.		Superannuates.		Church Exten.		Home Missions.		Foreign Miss'ns.		Church Home.		Deaconess Home		Young People's Work	
		Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	A s'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid
52	Deer Creek.....	20	20	4	4	3	3	10	10	6	6	32	32	31	31	14	14	14	14	26	26	13	13	3	3
53	Deer Park	27	27	5	5	5	4	12	7	18	10	38	22	40	20	16	8	18	10	34	18	18	10	4	2
54	Delmar, Del	25	25	5	5	5	5	9	9	13	13	32	32	35	35	14	14	15	15	32	32	15	15	3	3
55	Delta, Pa.....	29	29	7	7	6	6	14	14	8	8	44	44	47	47	19	19	23	22	32	32	18	18	4	4
56	Denton.....	32	32	8	8	5	5	15	15	13	13	43	43	47	47	20	20	22	22	36	36	20	20	2	2
57	Dorchester	32	32	8	8	5	5	15	15	13	13	47	47	47	47	20	20	22	22	40	40	20	20	4	4
58	Dover, Del.....	14	14	5	5	3	3	6	6	9	9	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
59	Easton	54	54	13	13	8	8	26	26	9	9	74	74	87	87	35	35	40	40	64	64	35	35	3	3
60	Elizabeth, N. J....	40	40	9	9	6	6	19	19	11	11	53	53	58	58	22	22	26	26	44	44	23	23	4	4
61	Fairfax, Va.....	16	16	5	4	4	...	8	...	10	...	26	25	28	25	11	10	12	10	22	20	10	8	3	...
62	Fawn Grove, Pa..	33	33	9	9	7	7	18	18	13	13	53	53	55	55	22	22	25	25	44	44	20	20	5	5
63	Federalsburg	17	17	5	5	4	4	10	10	8	8	26	26	29	29	12	12	13	13	22	22	10	10	2	2
64	Felton, Del.....	16	16	5	...	4	...	8	...	10	...	24	8	28	...	11	...	12	...	20	...	10	...	2	...
65	Finksburg	40	40	9	9	10	10	23	23	28	28	58	58	64	64	26	26	30	30	56	56	25	25	8	8
66	First Ch., Newark, N.J.	87	87	15	15	15	15	42	42	40	40	126	126	134	134	55	55	63	63	98	98	55	55	10	10
67	Franklin City, Va.	32	32	8	4	6	3	15	5	15	6	50	10	50	10	20	8	22	12	40	10	20	5	5	...
68	Frederick	29	29	8	8	6	6	14	14	13	13	44	46	47	47	19	19	21	21	38	40	18	18	4	4
69	Georgetown, Del.	27	27	6	6	5	5	12	12	10	10	36	36	40	40	16	16	18	18	32	32	18	18	3	3
70	Georgetown Circ't	17	...	5	5	4	...	10	...	11	11	28	...	29	...	12	...	13	...	24	...	10	...	3	...
71	Greenbush-Tasley	13	13	4	4	3	3	10	10	7	7	22	22	25	25	12	12	13	13	22	22	10	10	2	2
72	Greensboro.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
73	Greenwood, Del..	29	29	8	5	6	4	14	10	15	9	44	30	47	32	19	1	22	22	38	25	18	12	4	2
74	Grove	27	27	5	5	3	...	10	...	15	...	28	28	31	31	14	...	14	14	22	22	13	...	1	...
75	Harbeson, Del....	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	11	11	23	23	22	22	9	9	10	10	20	20	8	8	3	3
76	Harmony, W. Va.	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	11	11	23	23	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	3	3
77	Harpers Fy, W. V.	25	25	5	5	4	4	8	8	13	13	27	27	30	30	12	12	14	14	30	30	15	15	3	3
78	Harrington, Del..	29	29	8	8	5	5	13	13	13	13	43	43	48	48	18	18	20	20	36	36	18	18	3	3
79	Howard	29	29	8	8	5	5	13	13	13	13	43	43	48	48	18	18	20	20	36	36	18	18	3	3
80	Hurlock	20	20	5	5	4	4	10	10	10	10	32	32	31	31	14	14	14	14	22	22	13	13	3	3
81	Indian River	13	13	2	2	3	3	4	4	4	4	12	12	14	8	5	3	6	4	10	8	8	...	1	1
82	Kemptown	40	40	9	9	10	10	23	23	26	26	64	64	64	64	26	26	30	30	54	54	25	25	7	7
83	Kennedyville.....	21	21	5	5	5	5	10	10	6	6	28	28	31	31	12	12	15	15	26	26	13	13	2	2
84	Kent Island	27	27	5	5	5	1	12	1	6	1	38	30	45	45	17	1	20	1	30	10	18	2	2	1
85	Laurel, Del.....	43	43	12	12	9	9	21	21	17	17	62	62	68	68	28	28	29	29	52	52	28	28	5	5
86	Laurel Circuit ...	32	32	8	2	5	3	15	10	13	7	47	33	47	10	20	5	22	22	40	5	20	4	4	1
87	Leeds	29	29	8	8	5	5	13	13	8	8	43	43	48	48	18	18	20	20	36	36	18	18	3	3
88	Leipsic	11	11	4	4	3	3	4	4	8	8	14	14	15	15	5	5	6	6	14	14	8	8	2	2
89	Lewes, Del.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	6	1	8	2	3	2	3	1	6	1	4	2	1	1
90	Lewistown	13	13	2	2	3	3	6	...	8	...	17	12	16	...	5	...	10	...	18	6	8	...	2	...
91	Liberty	24	24	6	6	5	5	12	12	10	10	34	34	40	40	16	16	18	18	30	30	18	18	2	2
92	Linthicum Heig'ts	17	17	5	5	4	4	10	10	8	8	26	26	29	29	12	12	13	13	22	22	10	10	2	2
93	Lisbon	36	36	8	8	5	5	19	19	27	27	59	59	58	58	22	22	26	26	50	50	23	23	7	7
94	Lynchburg, Va...	27	27	6	6	5	5	12	12	12	12	33	33	38	38	16	16	18	18	30	30	18	18	2	2
95	Mardela.....	27	27	6	4	5	3	12	10	24	15	42	35	43	30	17	10	20	12	36	18	18	10	5	4
96	Marley ...	11	11	2	2	3	...	4	4	2	...	19	19	15	15	5	...	6	...	16	14	8	...	1	...
97	Middleway, W. Va.	13	...	5	...	3	...	6	...	3	...	19	...	22	...	9	...	10	...	16	...	8	...	1	...
98	Milford, Del.....	40	40	11	11	11	11	23	23	18	18	58	58	64	64	26	26	30	30	48	48	25	25	4	4
99	Milton, Del.....	24	24	5	5	5	5	12	12	10	10	33	33	37	37	15	15	16	16	30	30	15	15	3	3
100	Mt. Nebo.....	24	24	5	4	5	5	12	12	18	18	37	20	37	20	15	15	16	16	34	34	15	15	5	5
101	New Church, Va..	29	30	6	6	6	6	14	14	16	16	41	41	44	44	17	17	19	19	38	38	19	19	4	4
102	Newmarket	37	37	9	9	7	7	9	9	25	25	57	57	62	62	24	24	28	28	48	48	22	22	5	5

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176	176	21			5	5		704	911	600	600	120	150	40	25		165	1100	2011	52
235	143	37			15			653	848	900	890	150	155	104			90	1389	2237	53
203	203	10				5	20	860	1098	1100	1100	300	300	200	200	200	108	2408	3506	54
250	250	21			10	15		1216	1512	1000	1200	200	237	129			505	2271	3783	55
263	263	36					40	1544	1883	1000	1100	200	256	154			330	2040	3923	56
273	273	60				6	15	410	764	760	900	200	115	174	304		80	1773	2537	57
127	127	20				13	24	935	1119	800	800	250	239	87			369	1745	2864	58
448	448	35	34				56	2189	2762	1200	1200	360	550	180	155	100	14	2559	5321	59
315	315	13						316	644	1200	1200	500	537	82	885		535	3739	4883	60
155	118	40				7		460	625	800	673	120	50	217	300		18	1378	2003	61
304	304	58			60			1997	2419	1000	1100	200	312	110	218		248	2288	4707	62
158	158	84					28	375	645	1000	1400	300	244	145	1237	27	443	3796	4441	63
150	24							74	98	750	634	120	125	70	20	15	25	1009	1107	64
377	377	79	84		90	15	58	2775	3478	1200	1200	210	380	336	1060		152	3338	6816	65
730	740	99	182	77	252	56	103	8082	9591	2500	2500	1000	3978	1186	557		2109	11330	20921	66
283	105	47						1014	1166	800	900	100	230	100	400			1730	2896	67
261	265	130				5	40	1472	1912	900	1000	144	130	148	46			1468	3380	68
223	223	10						94	327	900	900	200	225	200	1000			2525	2852	69
166																				70
143	143	90				10	26	676	945	600	700		85	75	2000			1060	2005	71
																				72
264	192							1517	1709	800	800	200	250	60				1310	3019	73
183	127	88				20		2	237	700	700	180	127	47	78		43	1175	1412	74
133	133				5			95	233	800	900	100	100	75	100	284		1559	1792	75
131	131	18				14		627	785	650	707	120	91	65	764		80	1827	2612	76
186	186	10				26		805	1027	850	850	150	99	160		331	80	1670	2697	77
254	254	23					64	1617	1958	1000	1150	300	230	173			248	2101	4059	78
254	254	115				31		2126	2526	1100	1200	150	200	125	500			2175	4701	79
178	178	15				10	28	1894	2125	1000	015	150	336	145	114		369	2129	4254	80
82	62								62										62	81
378	378	60				9		2692	3138	1200	1225	150	250	255	43	142		2065	5203	82
174	174	37				5		847	1063	800	800	120	138	148	100		222	1528	2591	83
225	125							1250	1375	700	700	150	150	40			20	1060	2435	84
374	374	50			10	80	34	2094	2642	1500	1500	300	350	160			650	2960	5602	85
273	134	25						222	381	950	985	125	135	130	60		5	1440	1821	86
249	249	22					36	1027	1334	900	900	150	225	80			130	1485	2819	87
94	94	10						806	910	350	400	50	82	67			223	822	1732	88
42	21						12		33	500	500		50	13				563	596	89
108	36				10	9		41	96	315	280							280	376	90
215	215	28				11		883	1137	600	900	75	156	55			20	1206	2343	91
158	158	53				20	15	941	1187	1200	1250	540	250	120	750		184	3094	4281	92
340	340	90				5		2263	2698	1100	1100	250	179	276	300	250		2355	5053	93
217	217	30	80					2201	2528	1200	1200	500	640	200	100		440	3080	5608	94
255	178	12				5		683	878	850	925	120	150	120	135		231	1681	2559	95
92	65	13						42	120	500	525		50	50	1300			1925	2045	96
115																				97
358	358	25				13	4	1702	2102	1300	1400	200	915	328	296	200	230	3569	5671	98
205	205	30				80	30	591	936	1000	1000	125	212	97	1140		113	2687	3623	99
223	183	65						384	632	900	820	100	225	275		60	717	2277	2829	100
253	254	75			101	25		2104	2559	1200	1200	150	300	234	4200	2700	707	9491	12050	101
333	333	52				33		2487	2905	1000	1000	300	315	376	700	50	180	2921	5826	102

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Number.	Charge	President.		Conference.		Ministerial Ed'n		Theological Seminary.		Western Maryland College.		Superannuates.		Church Exten.		Home Missions.		Foreign Miss'ns		Church Home.		Deaconess Home		Young People's Work	
		Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid
103	Nichols Memorial	25	25	5	5	5	5	9	9	13	13	32	32	35	35	14	14	15	15	32	32	15	15	3	3
104	Northumber'd, Va.	35	35	8	6	6	4	18	18	20	14	54	40	51	28	22	12	25	14	44	24	22	12	5	3
105	Oak Grove.....	17	17	4	4	4	4	9	9	5	5	26	26	29	29	12	12	13	13	22	22	10	10	2	2
106	Oxford	29	29	8	8	6	6	14	14	8	8	40	40	47	47	19	19	22	22	24	24	17	17	2	2
107	Parksley, Va.....	24	24	7	7	5	5	12	12	15	15	35	35	36	36	15	15	16	16	32	32	15	15	4	4
108	Patapsco	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	2	2	1	1
109	Phila.: Immanuel.	10	10	5	5	3	3	6	6	9	9	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	7	7	2	2
110	St. Lukes.....	29	29	8	8	7	7	14	14	22	22	42	42	47	47	19	19	22	22	30	30	17	17	9	9
111	Taylor Memorial	29	29	8	8	7	7	14	14	22	22	42	57	47	47	19	19	22	22	30	30	17	17	9	9
112	Pipe Creek.....	29	29	8	8	6	6	14	14	11	11	42	42	47	34	19	11	22	12	36	36	17	17	3	3
113	Pittsville.....	29	29	8	8	6	6	14	14	25	25	50	50	47	47	19	19	22	22	44	44	17	17	7	7
114	Pocomoke City	40	40	11	11	10	10	27	27	17	17	70	70	64	64	26	26	30	30	50	50	25	25	5	5
115	Pocomoke Cir	24	24	5	5	5	5	10	10	10	10	5	35	35	20	15	7	17	32	28	15	13	4	4	
116	Potomac, Va.....	27	27	7	7	5	5	12	12	13	13	36	36	40	40	16	16	18	18	32	32	17	17	3	3
117	Powellville.....	24	24	5	5	4	4	10	10	17	17	34	34	36	36	14	14	16	16	32	32	15	15	4	4
118	Prince George.....	11	11	2	2	3	3	4	4	4	4	14	2	15	2	5	2	6	2	14	2	7	2	2	1
119	Quantico	17	17	4	4	3	3	8	8	4	4	26	26	23	23	12	12	11	11	22	22	10	10	2	2
120	Queen Anne.....	17	17	4	4	4	3	10	8	5	4	24	22	29	24	12	11	13	11	20	18	10	9	1	1
121	Reliance	27	27	6	6	5	5	12	10	18	15	40	35	40	35	16	13	18	15	36	36	17	15	5	5
122	Rowlandville.....	20	20	5	5	3	3	10	10	4	4	28	28	32	32	14	14	14	14	22	22	13	13	1	1
123	Salem.....	31	31	8	8	7	7	15	15	15	15	42	42	39	39	20	20	22	22	36	36	20	20	3	3
124	Salisbury.....	60	60	13	13	10	10	26	26	35	35	83	88	90	90	36	36	12	42	72	72	34	34	9	9
125	Seaford, Del.....	37	37	10	10	7	7	19	19	19	19	57	57	62	62	24	24	28	28	48	48	22	22	5	5
126	Selbyville, Del.....	13	13	5	1	3	...	6	3	5	3	19	13	22	9	9	4	10	5	16	8	8	...	1	1
127	Sharptown.....	33	33	8	8	6	6	16	16	15	15	50	50	52	51	21	21	24	24	42	42	20	20	4	4
128	Snow Hill.....	32	32	8	8	5	5	15	15	14	14	47	47	47	47	20	20	22	22	40	40	20	20	4	4
129	Stewartstown, Pa.	33	33	8	8	6	6	16	16	15	10	50	50	52	52	21	21	24	24	38	27	20	20	4	4
130	St. James.....	36	36	8	8	6	6	19	19	15	15	53	53	58	58	22	22	26	26	44	58	23	23	4	4
131	St. Michaels.....	27	27	6	6	5	5	16	16	10	10	34	34	40	40	16	16	18	18	26	28	18	18	2	2
132	Susquehanna.....	33	33	8	4	6	2	16	10	10	4	50	50	52	50	21	10	24	10	42	40	20	20	4	4
133	Talbot .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
134	Texas.....	...	4	...	2	...	2	...	1	...	3	...	3	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	4	...	2	...	1
135	Trinity	36	36	9	9	6	6	19	19	10	10	53	53	58	58	22	22	26	26	44	44	23	23	4	4
136	Tyreanna	13	10	5	...	3	...	6	...	2	...	17	...	23	...	9	...	10	...	16	...	8	...	1	...
137	Union.....	21	21	6	6	6	6	11	11	25	25	38	38	33	33	14	14	15	15	36	36	13	13	6	6
138	Union Bridge.....	24	24	6	6	6	6	11	11	6	6	29	29	35	35	15	15	17	17	26	26	15	15	1	1
139	Wallace Mem., Va	13	13	4	4	3	3	7	7	9	9	14	14	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
140	Warwick	27	27	6	6	5	3	12	6	8	4	36	30	40	32	16	8	18	9	32	22	18	8	3	1
	Washington, D. C.																								
141	Cherrydale.....	16	16	5	5	4	4	8	8	13	13	24	24	27	27	11	11	12	12	20	20	10	10	2	2
142	First Church.....	35	35	8	8	6	6	18	18	20	20	54	54	51	51	22	22	25	25	44	44	23	23	5	5
143	Georgetown	40	40	11	11	8	8	21	21	10	10	58	58	68	68	28	28	29	29	48	48	28	28	3	3
144	Mt. Tabor	20	20	5	5	3	3	10	10	7	7	30	30	62	62	14	14	14	14	24	24	13	13	2	2
145	N. Carolina Ave..	40	40	9	9	6	6	19	19	18	18	53	63	58	58	22	22	26	26	44	44	23	23	4	4
146	Rhode Isl'd Ave.	87	87	15	15	15	15	42	42	25	25	120	120	134	134	55	55	63	63	92	92	55	55	7	7
147	Wesley Cpl of Kent	24	24	5	5	5	5	10	10	8	8	29	29	35	35	15	15	17	17	26	26	16	16	1	1
148	Westminster.....	73	73	12	12	14	14	36	36	9	9	114	114	116	116	49	49	54	54	72	72	45	45	4	4
149	Wilmington, Del...	13	13	5	5	3	3	6	6	2	2	21	21	22	22	9	9	10	10	16	16	8	8	1	1
150	W. Wilming'n, Del.	11	11	2	...	3	...	4	1	2	...	19	2	15	2	5	2	6	2	16	1	8	2	1	...
151	Whaleyville	13	13	7	7	3	3	6	6	10	10	14	14	22	22	9	9	10	10	18	18	8	8	2	2
152	Wye	16	16	5	5	4	2	8	4	5	4	21	14	27	20	11	8	12	8	20	16	10	8	2	2

AND LOCAL INTERESTS

Assd'	Total.	Children's Day.	W. F. M. S.	W. H. M. S.	Special for For. Mis.	Easter for Home Mis.	Anti-Saloon League.	Miscellaneous Gen'l.	Total Gen. Interests.	Pastor's Salary.		Parsonage Rent.	Current Expenses.	Sun.-School Exp'ses.	Paid on Building and Improvement.	Paid on Debt.	Miscellaneous.	Paid for Local Interests.	Total all Purposes.	Number.
										Ass'd	Paid									
203	203	52	...	...	4	...	...	513	772	1100	1100	240	174	148	368	100	169	2299	3071	103
310	210	23	...	...	...	9	10	408	660	1000	1200	100	250	50	60	...	210	1870	2530	104
153	153	70	...	...	...	7	...	473	703	550	550	100	43	66	10	...	299	1068	1771	105
236	236	30	87	...	...	28	47	1591	1979	800	800	150	203	80	142	...	...	1380	3359	106
216	216	150	28	...	39	11	147	2156	2747	1100	1200	240	341	167	773	...	442	3163	5910	107
25	25	2	...	...	...	...	...	149	176	200	200	36	30	25	...	...	10	301	477	108
122	122	20	50	...	...	41	...	648	881	1560	1560	480	581	385	400	...	655	4061	4942	109
266	266	14	81	...	...	42	...	1246	1649	1300	1300	600	1731	680	300	...	890	5501	7150	110
266	281	60	79	...	30	40	...	2020	2510	1500	1600	600	600	800	600	...	2600	6800	9310	111
254	223	24	45	...	...	...	...	1942	2234	700	700	150	200	77	18	...	93	1238	3472	112
288	288	75	16	...	...	19	...	1047	1445	1200	1300	350	250	280	230	...	333	2743	4188	113
375	375	75	30	...	10	...	73	2827	3390	1200	1300	420	509	181	645	152	161	3368	6758	114
207	163	...	...	...	...	14	...	615	792	800	800	44	128	12	66	...	...	1050	1842	115
226	226	60	22	...	96	10	...	1874	2288	1100	1100	480	130	375	319	282	194	2880	5168	116
211	211	...	...	...	...	...	...	300	511	900	900	80	75	30	300	...	...	1385	1896	117
87	37	30	...	...	...	...	...	2	69	350	252	...	25	30	...	...	...	307	376	118
142	142	15	...	...	...	...	...	105	262	450	600	120	12	10	751	...	...	1493	1755	119
149	132	18	...	...	...	10	...	615	775	625	519	100	101	50	...	...	130	900	1675	120
240	217	...	...	...	...	...	...	558	775	900	878	200	92	143	325	...	92	1730	2505	121
166	166	32	...	...	...	...	...	359	557	800	830	75	50	21	49	...	70	1095	1652	122
258	258	61	...	...	...	...	75	914	1308	850	850	150	196	106	503	...	604	2409	3717	123
515	515	217	136	...	70	...	187	5467	6622	2080	2180	600	1011	539	...	...	496	4826	11448	124
388	338	62	...	...	...	9	10	1795	2214	1100	1200	225	435	396	50	...	38	2344	4558	125
117	60	6	...	...	...	...	...	153	219	500	500	100	175	143	100	200	175	1393	1612	126
290	290	100	...	...	10	...	...	703	1103	1200	1200	125	160	285	...	1000	341	3111	4214	127
274	274	85	...	...	...	14	66	1582	2021	1200	1200	180	225	75	124	...	195	1999	4020	128
287	265	53	...	...	...	29	...	1812	2159	900	900	192	237	95	38	...	...	1462	3621	129
314	328	134	...	...	...	25	...	2091	2578	1000	1020	150	150	95	175	300	125	2015	4593	130
220	220	46	25	...	...	...	14	1146	1451	950	970	100	160	100	...	612	35	1977	3428	131
286	237	...	...	...	...	...	...	1483	1720	900	950	250	160	95	75	...	335	1865	3585	132
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	133
...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	300	325	500	500	...	75	10	550	...	320	1455	1780	134
310	310	72	...	...	28	...	67	1874	2351	1500	1500	250	250	100	207	387	164	2858	5209	135
113	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	68	78	...	50	84	65	17	348	...	...	564	642	136
224	224	50	...	...	...	25	...	1741	2040	1100	1200	150	200	200	300	...	50	2100	4140	137
191	191	11	117	...	...	...	...	1113	1432	700	900	180	124	135	185	...	159	1683	3115	138
119	119	...	5	...	...	30	...	570	724	800	1000	200	158	200	370	...	137	2065	2789	139
221	156	29	...	...	...	...	7	468	660	800	805	75	90	90	40	...	...	1100	1706	140
152	152	28	...	...	...	36	...	28	244	1100	1100	350	360	365	382	400	820	3777	4021	141
311	311	40	75	50	50	75	...	1350	1951	1200	1300	600	887	496	1375	...	605	5263	7214	142
352	352	125	52	50	...	24	10	2096	2709	1400	1400	400	700	150	250	300	154	3354	6063	143
204	204	45	43	...	...	...	...	987	1279	1020	1020	360	392	323	807	200	320	3422	4701	144
322	332	54	64	10	71	58	...	1418	2007	1400	1400	540	1511	425	1015	...	375	5266	7273	145
710	710	80	193	232	45	85	...	7505	8850	2000	2000	700	2100	340	500	2000	1435	9075	17925	146
191	191	16	...	...	...	8	...	1141	1356	700	1008	125	85	140	65	...	77	1500	2856	147
598	598	25	253	...	...	9	25	4028	4938	1300	1300	250	495	180	425	...	129	2779	7717	148
116	116	14	...	...	...	10	21	643	804	1000	1000	...	170	154	86	350	515	2275	3079	149
92	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	250	250	...	100	30	25	50	65	520	543	150
122	122	35	...	...	...	5	...	514	676	800	800	120	75	175	...	...	107	1277	1953	151
141	107	15	...	...	...	...	...	384	506	550	557	120	85	100	...	...	...	862	1368	152

MEMBERSHIP

CHARGE	Unsta. Min. and P. reacher	Probationers	Full Members.	Probationers.			Full Members.			Children Baptised.	Conversions.	Sunday School			Y. P. S. C. E.				Amount for Missions	Am't for Con. Un. Miss'ry		
				Received.	Elected to Membership	Discontinued.	Received.	Withdrawn.	Discontinued.			Deceased.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars.	Scholars on Roll.	Societies.	Members.			Junior Societies.	Members.
Accomac, Va.....	...	...	416	...	3	...	17	19	...	4	7	4	19	232	15346	1	165	...	...	...	...	...
Alexandria, Va....	...	3144	5	2	...	14	4	8	1	...	7	21	116	52150	1	30	1	25	...	...	...	...
Amelia, Va.....	...	159	12	12	...	12	1	...	2	10	...	12	315	16132	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baltimore:																						
Alnutt Mem'l	3	19	452	21	2	...	28	16	...	7	...	12	27	129	52236	1	26	1	60	...	...	...
Bethany.....	1	...	85	...	...	...	7	18	35	5	...	9	5	122	81273	1	25	1	75	...	...	...
Broadway .....	...	...	164	...	...	...	10	...	3	2	...	3	12	112	...	81	1	26	1	15	...	10
Brooklyn	1	...	196	...	...	...	15	4	...	1	3	21	...	117	...	179	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calvary	3	33	357	35	8	...	26	6	...	3	1	39	32	135	42292	1	62	1	35	25	9	...
Chesaco Park	1	...	71	...	...	...	2	9	...	...	...	5	8	217	10120	1	8	...	...	...	...	...
Christ Church	5	...	702	...	...	...	59	15	...	7	2	55	75	140	206781	3	98	1	75	100	75	...
E. Baltimore..	1	...	189	...	...	...	42	2	12	6	...	18	27	118	55214	2	40	1	30	...	...	...
Eutaw	1	...	239	...	...	...	52	7	1	4	1	8	33	125	48185	1	32	1	37	30	125	...
Evergreen.....	...	...	132	...	...	...	4	3	...	1	...	8	2	116	25144	1	50	...	...	...	10	10
Hampden .....	...	...	876	...	...	...	100	...	50	6	...	35	212	136	3282030	1	85	1	100	...	40	...
Keen Mem.	3	...	204	17	17	...	17	...	17	...	23	45	19	130	37387	1	40	1	60	...	...	...
Lauraville .....	...	23	124	29	5	...	10	3	16	...	2	2	33	126	...	175	1	36	1	20	...	...
Lowe Memo'l.	1	...	525	...	...	...	78	4	6	6	2	81	53	132	50400	1	85	1	30	15	15	...
N. Baltimore...	1	...	219	...	...	...	17	5	1	6	2	6	12	119	20155	1	52	1	29	24	...	...
Payson Street	...	11	82	11	...	...	10	...	4	1	1	18	8	121	34185	1	15	...	...	...	...	...
S. Baltimore...	4	...	255	...	...	...	18	7	...	3	2	27	50	120	25175	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Starr .....	...	65	44	42	6	7	53	6	2	8	1	8	48	125	20250	1	75	1	35	...	20	...
St. Johns.....	1	...	428	...	...	...	49	19	1	4	...	10	32	130	85311	1	18	...	...	10	10	...
St. Pauls .....	...	...	300	...	...	...	47	4	...	3	4	34	60	137	...	374	1	80	1	60	...	...
Trinity.....	...	...	75	...	...	...	31	3	...	...	...	10	51	112	40149	1	24	...	...	...	...	...
Violetville .....	...	...	94	...	...	...	19	4	...	1	1	5	9	117	25115	...	...	1	20	...	25	...
Waverly	1	38	65	38	...	...	52	15	...	...	...	15	60	114	75127	1	38	...	...	...	...	...
W. Baltimore..	...	18	526	38	20	...	42	4	...	6	...	21	40	136	103510	1	76	1	40	175	201	...
Wilton He'hts	2	41	257	20	4	...	10	4	8	4	...	16	50	130	62310	1	39	1	105	...	...	...
Baltimore Ct....	...	...	298	...	...	...	26	...	25	5	2	2	22	330	...	220	2	60	...	...	50	...
Bedford, Pa....	...	39	335	...	39	29	66	4	5	4	9	15	122	550	55505	1	55	...	...	...	15	...
Belair .....	...	...	250	...	...	...	3	9	12	6	3	14	...	426	25240	1	19	...	...	...	...	...
Bivalve .....	...	...	196	4	4	...	4	...	4	1	8	17	230	30250	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...
Buckeystown....	...	...	233	32	32	...	32	11	145	3	1	9	33	110	5195	1	35	1	35	15	20	...
Cambridge.....	...	...	370	...	...	...	30	4	24	2	1	11	24	337	75425	1	35	1	36	20	4	...
Campbell, Va....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cannon, Del....	...	3	114	6	3	...	5	1	...	...	3	7	8	118	3126	1	26	1	34	...	...	...
Caroline .....	...	20	192	35	23	28	25	...	50	2	...	2	60	446	30285	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cecil	2	9	305	14	14	...	14	3	...	4	8	12	18	545	...	370	2	203	...	...	...	...
Centreville.....	1	...	140	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	116	...	66	1	25	...	...	...	...
Chestertown....	...	28	354	5	1	8	9	3	...	6	1	23	10	126	15200	1	45	1	20	...	15	...
Chincoteag', Va..	...	...	80	...	...	...	3	6	1	...	...	...	...	114	6231	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clayton, Del....	1	10	210	18	8	...	24	4	154	4	1	19	61	330	15301	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Concord, Pa....	...	...	267	7	7	...	7	8	...	3	2	12	14	320	10240	1	12	...	...	...	...	...
Conquest, Va....	1	9	132	9	...	...	12	6	1	...	2	10	34	113	...	55	...	1	34	...	...	...
Crisfield: Crisf'd	1	99	463	8	9	...	28	3	...	5	...	6	40	146	18636	1	105	1	67	...	...	...
Lawsonia	1	...	68	...	...	...	12	...	...	2	...	16	12	110	5105	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mariners .....	...	8	290	19	11	...	24	...	2	...	1	18	30	118	70254	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Crumpton .....	...	...	65	...	...	...	18	4	...	...	...	3	24	212	...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cumberl'd: IstCh	1	...	284	...	...	...	18	3	...	1	...	24	12	125	25200	1	40	...	...	10	...	...
Mapleside & F	...	...	88	4	4	...	4	2	4	...	...	14	5	216	9193	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Melvin Chapel	...	10	60	8	6	6	8	...	53	2	...	8	12	115	...	80	1	20	1	40
Deer Creek.....	...	14	164	8	8	...	8	3	24	2	1	11	10	215	855	1	24	10

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				Received.	Elected to Membership	Discontinued.	Received.	Withdrawn.	Discontinued.	Deceased.				Schools.	Officers and Teachers	New Scholars.	Scholars on Roll.	Societies.	Members.	Junior Societies.	Members.	Amount for Missions	
Deer Park.....			298				20	2		5		12	23	452	5	318	2	90	1	15	15		
Delmar, Del....	2		220				11			4	2	10	61	132	25	300	1	31			5		
Delta, Pa.....		5	274	13	8		64	10		3	13	13	63	126	38	204	1	48				10	
Denton			160			2	8	3				15	7	112	20	135	1	30	1	20			
Dorchester		26	214	26			4	6	15	2		7	7	331	8	190	1	20				2	
Dover, Del.....			107	8			6	1	10	2		4	11	118	27	107	1	25				4	
Easton			213			1	14	1		4		14	7	115	17	165	1	33					
Elizabeth, N. J.		2	200	9	7		13	10		3		7	25	123	70	183	2	30	1	10	6		
Fairfax, Va.....	2	9	151				2	8	5	1	1		2	437		150	1	45					
Fawn Grove, Pa.		15	333	4	6	2	13	3	8	4		30	8	234	20	240	1	101					
Federalsburg.		3	228	2			40	2		3	3	12	50	229	25	240	1	35					
Felton, Del.....			132		1			3				1	4	332	5	180							
Finksburg.....	1		588				39	3	38	3		24	51	456	15	570	4	184	1	17	90		
First Ch. Newark, N.J.	3	47	682	38	13	4	65	17		6	5	16	61	269	41	616	2	75	1	48	252	25	
Franklin C'y, Va.			320				42	1		3		6	45	435	15	350							
Frederick.....			257				4	4		4		7		345	20	320	2	136					
Georgeto'n, Del.	1		212				9	10		2		15	2	118	46	196	1	45					
Georgeto'n Cir.			199											439	7	198							
Greenbu'h & T'y			110										2	212		160							
Greensboro.....			30											1	7	40			1	25			
Greenwood, Del.		12	297	12			15	4		4		15	27	332	25	260	1	43					
Grove			82		2		18	4		4		7	10	435	4	175							
Harbeson, Del....			172					3		3		7	3	340	30	105							
Harmony, W. Va.	1	33	102	33	15		15			3	15	6	53	120	40	140	1	20					
Harper's F'y, W. Va.			205		3	3	30	1	2		3	8	33	225	25	160							
Harrington, Del.		29	247	20			24	3		5	4	18	46	121	27	213	1	70	1	35			
Howard.....	1		338	11	11		11	2		1		5	11	423	20	240							
Hurlock		17	232		1		74	3	8	5		5	109	230	36	138	1	20	1	15			
Indian River.....			54																				
Kemptown.....	2		517				50	2		3		5	48	565		465							
Kennedyville....			148				9	3		6	1	3	7	115	10	150			1	20			
Kent Island.....			108				2			1		5	3	216	5	103							
Laurel, Del			403		6		60	2		6	1	15	37	118	25	263	1	25	1	16		10	
Laurel Circuit ...			261				41	10		4		24	45	430		250							
Leeds.....			175				10		48			5	20	217	8	70	1	30					
Leipsic, Del.....			88				1			1		3		110		65							
Lewes, Del.....			40				1		29			12	2	1	3	25							
Lewistown			164				5	1				13	8	220		180	2	105	1	21			
Liberty			129				3	6		2		3		227	9	140	1	40	1	35			
Linthicum He'ts		15	79	12	10	5	25	4	2		1	2	18	117	19	225			1	21	1	5	
Lisbon			378	11	11		26	5	52	16	2	13	10	445	16	421							
Lynchburg, Va.. ...			155				9	2	2			5		8	118	38	120	1	20				
Mardela.....		4	346	4	22		26	2	14	4		16	15	440	10	360	2	62					
Marley.....	1	4	105	4			26	1	1	2		2	32	2	8	100							
Middleway, W. Va.			46																				
Milford, Del.....	1		250				11	4	33	4	3	18	11	123	50	300	1	16	2	60		10	
Milton, Del.....		12	204		2		12	1		4		10	2	121		156	1	4				10	
Mt. Nebo.....		58	368	16	4	2	26			2	2	11	72	232	15	315	1	35	1	49			

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New Church, Va	242	1	1	36	4	2	1	16	10	46	3	36	15	248	2	90					101		
Newmarket	344	3	3	10	1	9	2	8	5	4	60	3	313	3	135					10			
Nichols Memo'l	135			32	1			23	36	2	26	49	168	1	52					4			
Northumb'ld Va.	375		2	30	15		76	4	4		3	5	45	10	210	1	32						
Oak Grove	150	3	2	1	2	1		2			3	1	13	12	62								
Oxford	3	134			1	7		1			1	17	12	102									
Parksley, Va	19	304			36	5		2	5	15	41	1	41	36	246	1	59						
Patapsco		26						1		5	2	1	6		36	1	25						
Phila., St. Lukes	257	273	36		6	3		4	2	23	36	1	30	64	411	1	115	1	35				
Taylor Mem'l.	17	300	17	10	46	16	31		2	16	25	1	49	109	642	1	55	1	51	30			
Emmanuel	1	113			18	2	45		4		17	1	20		180	1	33						
Pipe Creek		207				3		4				1	11	5	80	1	47						
Pittsville		456			26	15		4		10	31	3	44	47	300	1	33	1	35				
Pocomoke City	2	6	294		1	15	4	1	4	3	5	11	1	18	12	230				10			
Pocomoke Circ't		237								1	1	3	18		240								
Potomac, Va	18	223	20	16	16	1		3	1	2	50	2	36	56	250	1	45	1	30	94			
Powellville		240			9	2		3		50	12	3	24	10	310								
Prince George		132			4				1		10	1	8	10	85								
Quantico		92			14	2		2			15	2	15	5	122								
Queen Anne		68										2			90	1	13						
Reliance		332				5	5	2		8		3	36		325								
Rowlandville	1	65			7		21	1	1	4	3	2	13	10	53	1	30						
Salem		157			16		46	2	1	4	1	2	16	35	85	1	18						
Salisbury		553			31	15	5	7		12	40	1	37	205	686	2	74			70			
Seaford, Del	1	273			23	6		6		12	24	1	18	40	270	1	40	1	35				
Selbyville, Del		169			28	2		1		20	33	2	19	28	263	1	38						
Sharptown	12	279	11			2	1	1		2	11	2	46		290								
Snow Hill	25	267	23	2	7	7		1		5	39	2	24	15	215								
Stewartstown Pa	2	2	231	2	13	5	10	3	5	5	11	2	32	48	154	2	50	1	20				
St. James		243			4	5		4		7		2	30	25	190	1	58						
St. Michaels		111			6	1				2	4	3	27	12	205	2	75						
Susquehanna	9	240	9		11	2	2	4		1	40	3	30	15	160	1	35						
Talbot																							
Texas		51			12		4			7	3	1	6	6	66	1	28						
Trinity		223			13	8		2		7	26	2	25		165		1	15		28			
Tyreanna		20				22						1	9		50								
Union	14	410	89	114	1	9		8	30	89	4	45	30	300	1	40	1	50	10	10			
Union Bridge		77			11	2	10	3	2	1	9	1	10		75	1	20	1	13				
Wallace Me. Va.	1	96	1			1	3	2			10	1	20	8	175	1	60						
Warwick	1	200			1	1				6	3	3	19	8	160	1	33			5			
Washington:																							
Cherrydale		148			34	4	5			5	32	1	24	60	227	1	15						
First Church	5	347	17	12	5	27	1	4	2	2	9	1	26	67	256	1	49	1	52	50			
Georgetown		210				9	2	2		1	4	10	1	15	30	114							
Mt. Tabor		102			6	2		2	1	6	2	1	16	28	100								
N. C. Avenue	2	15	338	3	9	34	11	1	5	6	26	35	1	32	50	340	2	65	1	25			
R. I. Avenue	1	7	520		6	58	8	3	2	1	14	25	1	35	75	325	1	70	1	145			
Wesley Chapel	1	120	10	10	22	2				6	12	3	20	55	160								
Westminster		374			22	10				1	21	12	1	16	20	164	1	84		25			
Wilmington, Del	12	58	12		20	1	3	2	3	11	22	1	9	18	73	1	16						
W. Wilming'n, Del	18	40	18		1					2	48	18	1	9	10	125							
Whaleyville		170		20	20	4		3		2	42	2	23		235								
Wye	15	122	15		2			2		4	28	1	10		100	1	18						

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									President's Salary	Maryland Conference Interests	General Conference Interests	
Accomac, Va...	2	2	1	12500	3000	.....	5700	24	35.87	235.52	60.79	332.18
Alexandria, Va..	1	1	1	20000	4000	3741	7700	13	15.98	104.94	27.08	148.00
Amelia, Va.....	3	3	1	3500	2000	.....	2800	9	14.94	98.11	25.32	138.37
Baltimore:												
Alnutt Mem'l	1	1	1	55000	6000	.....	24000	38	68.16	447.51	115.52	631.19
Bethany	1	1	1	5000	2500	836	4400	8	14.12	92.63	23.91	130.69
Broadway	1	1	1	30000	2500	.....	4000	29	30.44	199.78	51.56	281.78
Brooklyn.....	1	1	1	10000	10000	.....	6800	36	26.89	176.52	45.57	248.98
Calvary.....	1	1	1	15000	2500	.....	7500	20	24.86	163.17	42.11	230.14
Chesaco Park	2	2	...	4000	.....	500	2600	9	4.07	26.68	6.88	37.63
Christ Church	1	1	1	60000	6000	5800	32550	55	57.37	376.57	97.19	531.13
E. Baltimore.	1	1	1	25000	3000	.....	11000	27	32.69	214.66	53.39	302.74
Eutaw	1	1	1	25000	6000	5000	22500	32	25.68	168.52	43.49	237.69
Evergreen ...	1	1	...	6000	.....	.....	5000	12	15.32	100.55	25.95	141.82
Hampden	1	1	1	26000	10000	.....	20000	106	70.26	461.23	119.05	650.54
Keen Mem'l..	1	1	1	20000	5000	1000	6000	78	27.37	179.67	46.38	253.42
Lauraville ...	1	1	...	5600	.....	.....	3500	...	16.08	105.52	27.23	148.83
Lowe Memo'l	1	1	1	30000	3500	.....	7500	43	38.08	250.00	64.53	352.61
N. Baltim'e...	1	1	1	36000	7000	6300	25000	42	48.09	315.77	81.50	445.36
Payson Street	1	1	...	4000	.....	.....	2200	4	12.18	79.96	20.64	112.78
So. Baltimore	1	1	1	25000	8000	4680	7500	30	28.31	185.87	47.98	262.16
Starr	1	1	1	240000	20000	41000	40000	53	77.55	509.09	131.41	718.05
St. Johns	1	1	1	85000	7500	5254	50000	42	77.03	505.69	130.52	713.24
St. Paul's	1	1	...	15000	.....	.....	6500	38	21.29	139.83	36.09	197.21
Trinity	1	1	...	11000	.....	1000	.....	5	14.07	54.52	8.30	76.89
Violetville....	1	1	1	2000	4000	.....	3900	9	10.49	68.92	17.78	97.19
Waverly.....	1	1	1	2000	1200	.....	.....	14	12.45	101.76	21.10	115.31
W. Baltimore	1	1	1	80000	8000	7500	20000	40	73.47	481.59	124.33	679.39
Wilton He'hts	1	1	...	35000	....	12750	20000	...	23.46	153.99	39.74	217.19
Baltimore Ct....	3	3	1	22000	4000	150	16000	18	28.69	188.35	48.52	265.66
Bedford, Pa.....	5	6	1	10500	1500	.....	2900	28	34.26	224.88	58.04	317.18
Belair	4	4	1	19000	7000	.....	10000	41	29.39	192.93	49.80	272.14
Bivalve	2	2	1	8000	1800	.....	4500	20	24.02	157.68	40.69	222.39
Buckeystown ...	2	2	1	33800	4500	.....	14100	20	60.59	397.69	102.65	560.93
Cambridge	3	3	1	40000	2500	1900	27000	26	41.11	262.89	69.66	380.66
Cambridge Cir.	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	6.80	44.67	11.53	63.00
Campbell, Va...	...	1	...	200	.....	.....	.....	...	3.60	23.65	6.11	33.36
Cannon, Del....	1	1	1	2000	2500	.....	2300	7	13.55	88.97	22.96	125.48
Caroline	4	4	1	5000	2500	.....	4500	10	25.98	170.53	44.01	240.52
Cecil	4	3	1	8000	2100	.....	6500	6	27.69	181.81	46.93	256.43
Centreville	1	1	1	14000	3000	.....	8000	20	20.45	134.22	34.64	189.31
Chestertown. ...	1	1	1	60000	13000	.....	58000	36	61.76	405.45	104.65	571.86
Chincoteag', Va	1	1	1	6000	1600	75	1500	12	17.12	112.42	29.02	158.56
Clayton, Del....	3	3	1	9000	1800	.....	6700	6	30.05	197.30	50.92	278.27
Concord, Pa.....	3	3	1	5700	1100	.....	3800	19	22.27	146.19	37.73	206.19
Conquest, Va...	2	2	1	4000	2500	.....	4000	...	15.18	99.63	25.71	140.52
Crisfield.	1	1	1	30000	3000	1060	19000	43	57.37	376.65	97.22	531.24
Lawsonia.....	1	1	1	4600	1600	1500	1500	4	4.88	32.05	8.27	45.20
Mariners	1	1	1	6000	1200	.....	4000	10	22.87	150.14	38.75	211.76
Crumpton	2	2	1	4800	1000	.....	3100	13	10.26	67.38	17.39	95.03
Cumberland:												
First Church.	1	1	1	20000	5000	2000	11000	21	33.05	216.99	56.01	306.05
Mapleside	2	2	...	3000	1600	6	11.05	72.52	18.72	102.29
Melvin Chap.	1	1	...	3600	150	800	12	10.00	65.63	16.94	92.51

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Deer Creek.....	2	2	1	4000	2500	3300	12	18.26	119.89	30.94	169.09
Deer Park.....	4	4	1	8000	2200	6500	46	26.28	172.53	44.53	243.34
Delmar, Del.....	1	1	1	10000	3000	9000	24	23.48	154.14	39.79	217.41
Delta, Pa.....	1	1	1	6000	3000	6000	18	28.13	184.70	47.67	260.50
Denton.....	1	1	1	12000	2500	7500	24	29.87	196.05	50.60	276.52
Dorchester	3	4	1	6000	1500	6000	12	27.89	183.13	47.27	258.29
Dover, Del.....	1	1	1	20000	5000	1397	3500	14	15.07	98.96	25.54	139.57
Easton	1	1	1	16250	3500	200	12885	25	43.80	287.58	74.23	405.61
Elizabeth, N. J..	1	1	1	17000	5500	3800	14300	11	34.17	224.36	57.71	316.44
Fairfax, Va.....	4	4	1	5000	1800	300	5925	19	16.53	108.49	28.00	153.02
Fawn Grove, Pa.	2	2	1	20400	3500	9000	48	35.27	231.57	59.77	326.61
Federalburg ...	2	2	1	13500	2000	5000	9	19.27	126.53	32.66	178.46
Felton, Del.....	4	4	1	5500	2000	338	4500	7	16.03	105.23	27.16	148.42
Finksburg.....	4	4	1	20000	3200	940	11000	42	44.97	295.22	76.20	416.39
1st Ch'h, Newark, N.J.	1	1	1	90000	10000	48500	31	90.85	596.40	153.94	841.19
Franklin C'y, Va	4	4	1	7500	1500	5000	5	30.29	198.89	51.34	280.52
Frederick	4	4	1	5500	2050	4900	21	27.91	183.26	47.30	258.47
Geo'town, Del.	1	1	1	11000	5000	300	8600	16	23.89	156.82	40.47	221.18
Geo'town Cir't	4	4	...	4500	3000
Gr'n'b'h & Tas'y	2	2	...	6000	500	2000	12	15.62	102.58	26.48	144.68
Greensboro	1	1	1	10000	2000	950	2200	...	6.30	41.35	10.67	58.32
Greenwood, Del	3	3	1	10000	2000	10000	20	28.65	188.09	48.55	265.29
Grove	5	5	1	9500	1600	1300	17	17.73	116.43	30.05	164.21
Harbeson, Del..	3	3	1	3200	2500	566	2000	3	15.75	103.40	26.69	145.84
Harmony.....	3	3	1	5500	1500	2700	29	14.07	92.36	23.84	130.27
Harpers F'y, W. Va	2	2	1	8000	3500	5000	10	19.90	130.65	33.72	184.27
Harrington Del.	1	1	1	15000	3500	6500	21	27.33	179.39	46.31	253.03
Howard	4	3 1/2	1	12300	3500	10200	68	30.01	197.01	50.85	277.87
Hurlock.....	3	3	1	8500	2500	950	4900	23	20.81	136.60	35.26	192.67
Indian River...	1	1	...	700	7.67	50.37	13.00	71.04
Kemptown	5	5	1	10000	4000	1150	68	42.73	280.54	72.51	395.68
Kennedyville...	1	1	1	5000	2500	4000	22	18.49	121.39	31.34	171.22
Kent Island ...	2	2	1	6000	1800	3000	15	21.28	139.67	36.04	196.99
Laurel, Del.....	1	1	1	35000	3000	6700	12500	34	43.22	283.69	73.23	400.14
Laurel Circuit..	4	4	1	5000	3000	4400	16	28.23	185.27	47.82	261.32
Leeds	2	2	1	8000	2500	7000	16	25.52	167.42	43.23	236.27
Leipsic.....	1	1	1	4000	700	2000	8	9.75	64.05	16.54	90.34
Lewes, Del.....	1	1	...	4000	150	2500	5	4.14	27.16	7.12	38.32
Lewistown	2	2	...	5000	3000	3	12.19	80.03	20.66	112.88
Liberty	2	2	1	7000	2000	5200	27	21.01	137.94	35.61	194.56
Linthicum Hts..	1	1	1	12000	6000	10000	48	18.86	123.79	31.95	174.60
Lisbon	5	5	1	8900	5400	150	10170	26	38.86	255.11	65.85	359.82
Lynchburg, Va.	1	1	1	25000	5000	5000	...	24.93	163.62	42.23	230.78
Mardela	4	4	1	7000	1800	2500	40	29.54	192.88	50.04	273.46
Marley.....	2	2	...	5000	500	1	11.70	76.82	19.83	108.35
Middleway, W. Va	1	1	1	800	500	9.72	63.81	16.47	90.00
Milford, Del....	1	1	1	35000	4000	2300	17000	25	38.92	255.47	65.94	360.33
Milton, Del.....	1	1	1	3800	2500	250	3500	13	22.13	145.23	37.48	204.84
Mt. Nebo.....	3	3	1	12500	3000	1200	5700	6	27.53	180.73	46.65	254.91
New Church Va	3	3	1	25000	3000	100	1200	50	27.73	182.04	46.98	256.75
Newmarket	4	4	1	25000	1500	160	8500	35	36.21	337.77	61.37	335.35
Nichols Memo'l	2	2	1	11000	6000	1500	7500	17	20.56	134.95	34.83	190.34
Northumberl'd.	5	5	1	14000	1600	2000	41	33.31	218.65	56.44	308.40
Oak Grove	1	1	1	2500	1200	3300	21	16.21	106.39	27.47	150.07

PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS

CHARGE	PROPERTY.								ASSESSMENTS 1920-21			
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonage.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Debt on Church and Parsonage.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property.	Church Papers Taken	BUDGET			Total Assessment
									President's Salary	Maryland Conference Interests	General Conference Interests	
Oxford	1	1	1	4000	2500	....	3300	11	23.33	153.12	39.52	215.97
Parksley, Va....	1	1	1	18000	5000	....	8500	28	27.71	181.93	46.96	256.60
Patapsco	1	1	...	1000	....	....	900	2	3.57	33.45	6.06	33.08
Philadelphia:												
St. Lukes.....	1	1	1	60000	10000	14500	23000	18	35.99	236.33	60.99	333.31
Taylor Mem'l	1	1	1	27000	6000	7850	14000	48	35.61	233.05	60.18	328.84
Emmanuel ...	1	...	1	....	10000	6000	4500	37	17.13	112.43	29.02	158.58
Pipe Creek.....	2	2	1	9000	4000	....	9400	...	26.55	174.28	44.98	245.81
Pittsville	3	3	1	10000	3500	....	7000	75	35.79	234.99	60.66	331.44
Pocomoke City	1	1	1	17500	7500	600	16860	36	39.45	258.99	66.85	365.29
Pocomoke Cir't	4	4	1	6000	800	....	4000	11	22.19	145.69	37.62	205.50
Potomac, Va...	2	2	1	7000	4500	....	10000	21	25.69	168.64	43.53	237.86
Powellville.....	3	3	1	5000	1500	....	3000	35	23.06	151.36	39.07	213.49
Prince George.	2	2	...	2500	....	....	....	12	10.17	66.74	17.23	94.14
Quantico	4	4	1	4000	1200	....	1500	10	13.69	89.89	23.19	126.77
Queen Anne.....	2	2	1	5200	1200	....	4800	10	14.65	96.19	24.83	135.67
Reliance	3	3	1	13000	3000	1000	8300	27	27.98	183.67	47.40	259.05
Rowlandville ...	3	3	1	6200	1400	....	6500	5	15.52	101.93	26.31	143.77
Salem	2	2	1	10000	2000	....	7200	21	24.56	161.26	41.62	227.44
Salisbury.....	1	1	1	35500	10000	17500	13000	61	62.00	407.01	105.05	574.06
Seaford, Del.....	1	1	1	13500	2500	....	8900	40	86.29	238.21	61.47	335.97
Selbyville, Del.	2	2	1	13000	1500	....	5000	1	13.98	91.78	23.69	129.45
Sharptown.....	2	2	1	16000	2500	1150	8800	2	31.51	206.87	53.40	291.78
Snow Hill.	2	2	1	30000	4000	....	22000	37	30.73	201.75	52.07	284.55
Stewartsto'n, Pa	2	2	1	11000	3500	....	6595	20	29.65	194.68	50.25	274.58
St. James.....	2	2	1	10500	2500	100	7900	29	32.40	212.69	54.90	299.99
St. Michaels ...	3	3	1	15000	2000	200	12000	16	22.17	145.52	37.56	205.25
Susquehanna ...	3	3	1	7400	4300	....	8800	31	30.08	197.49	50.97	278.54
Talbot .....	...	2	...	2000	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	....
Texas	1	1	...	2000	....	....	3500	1	4.03	26.46	6.83	37.32
Trinity.....	2	2	1	10500	4000	....	10000	30	32.16	211.16	54.50	297.82
Tyreana	1	1	1	1000	1500	....	1400	5	9.33	61.26	15.82	86.41
Union.	4	4	1	7500	2500	....	6600	40	28.56	187.54	48.41	264.51
Union Bridge...	2	2	1	9500	2500	....	5000	17	18.95	124.40	32.11	175.46
Wallace Me, Va	1	1	1	2000	2000	....	1600	35	14.18	93.13	24.04	131.35
Warwick	3	3	1	4800	1200	....	4300	14	22.97	150.83	38.93	212.73
Washington:												
Cherrydale	1	1	1	7000	5000	5050	5500	20	19.23	126.22	32.58	178.03
First Church	1	1	1	30000	10000	2700	15000	22	37.37	245.30	63.61	345.98
Georgetown	1	1	1	25000	6000	575	12500	18	37.52	246.36	63.59	347.47
Mt. Tabor. ...	1	1	1	18000	4000	2800	11000	18	21.04	138.14	35.66	194.84
N. C. Ave.	1	1	1	45000	6000	5000	14300	25	39.94	262.23	67.68	369.85
R. I. Avenue..	1	1	1	75000	8000	17000	36000	33	77.59	509.37	131.47	718.43
Wesley Chapel..	2	2	1	6500	2000	....	4500	10	18.98	124.61	32.16	175.75
Westminster ...	1	1	1	25000	4000	....	13500	25	58.68	385.24	99.43	543.35
Wilmington Del	1	1	1	9000	2300	3000	6000	23	12.04	79.02	20.40	111.46
W. Wilm'gt'n Del	1	1	...	4000	....	940	2100	1	8.64	56.70	14.63	79.97
Whaleyville.....	2	2	1	4500	2000	....	3400	19	14.97	98.27	25.37	138.61
Wye	1	1	1	4200	2300	....	6500	...	15.03	98.69	25.48	139.20
Balto. Book Con	...	...	...	45000	....	....	10000	...	...	...	...	...
Pres. Parsonage	...	...	...	6000	....	....	4000	...	...	...	...	...
W. T. Seminary	...	...	...	43100	....	....	20000	...	...	...	...	...
W. M. College..	...	...	...	450000	....	....	100000	...	...	...	...	...
Our Ch. Home.	...	...	...	13000	....	....	8000	...	...	...	...	...
Deaconess Ho'e	...	...	...	7000	....	2500	2500	...	...	...	...	...

Financial Summary

Total for General Interests

	1920	1919	Increase	Decrease
President.....	\$ 4188	\$ 3118	\$ 1070	\$
Conference.....	965	931	34	
Ministerial Education	879	785	94	
Seminary	1869	1886		17
College.....	1694	1703		9
Superannuates.....	5745	5744	1	
Church Extension.....	6013	6048		35
Home Missions.....	2400	2504		104
Foreign Missions.....	2782	3207		425
Church Home.....	4676	2391	2285	
Deaconess Home	2389	1918	471	
Young People's Work.....	498	530		32
Special for Missions.....	17621	16710	911	
Miscellaneous	205449	29217	176232	
Bequests.....	16500			
Total	257168	76859	180309	

Total for Local Interests

Pastor's Salary.....	\$153496	\$136417	\$17079	
Parsonage Rent	35426	28773	6653	
Current Expenses.....	55564	54517	1047	
Sunday School Expenses.....	29852	27826	2026	
Building and Improvements.....	52635	41906	10729	
Paid on Debt.....	27747	52565		24818
Miscellaneous.....	48360	46254	2106	
Total for Local Interests	403080	388338	14742	
Total for all purposes.....	660248	465197	195051	

BEQUESTS.

Miss V. K. Winfree, Lynchburg: The Seminary	\$ 1000
Church Home	1000
Foreign Missions	13000
	\$15000
Mr. Joshua N. Warfield, Lisbon: Superannuated Fund.....	\$ 500
Mrs. William Dale, Pocomoke City: The Seminary	\$ 1000
	\$16500

JAMES A. DUDLEY,
Conference Steward.

Statistical Summary

Membership

	1920	1919	Increase	Decrease
Ministers and Preachers.....				
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers.....	65	63	2	
Probationers.....	1047	938	109	
Full Members.....	34249	33435	804	
Probationers Received.....	958	774	184	
Probationers Elected to Membership.....	577	645		68
Probationers Discontinued.....	144	159		15
Full Members Received.....	2938	2305	633	
Full Members Withdrawn.....	570	445	125	
Full Members Discontinued.....	1239	1353		114
Full Members Deceased.....	378	489		111
Adults Baptized.....	233	215	18	
Children Baptized.....	1651	1726		75
Conversions.....	3584	2636	948	
Sunday Schools.....	277	277		
Sunday School Officers and Teachers.....	3728	3737		9
New Scholars.....	4079	4329		250
Sunday School Scholars on Roll.....	34435	35167		723
Y. P. S. C. E.....	122	129		7
Y. P. S. C. E. Members.....	4969	5381		414
Junior C. E. Societies.....	53	55		2
Junior C. E. Members.....	2030	2503		473
Money for Foreign Missions.....	1393	1137	256	
Money for Conference Union Missionary.....	1009	603	406	

Property

Appointments.....	291	289	2	
Churches.....	293½	292½	1	
Parsonages.....	131	129	2	
Value of Church Property.....	3057150	2823100	234050	
Value of Parsonage Property.....	488100	418150	69950	
Debt on Churches and Parsonages.....	213360	202173	11187	
Insurance on Churches and Parsonages.....	1445535	1341525	104010	
Subscribers to The Methodist Protestant.....	3328	3208	120	

We recommend that in view of increased values, Pastors and Quarterly Conferences give the matter of Property valuation their earnest consideration for the next annual report.

J. N. LINK,
W. EDGAR HARRISON,
Committee on Statistics.

MANUAL

Rules of Order and Regulations

for the
Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Rule I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. 1. Conference shall convene in Annual session on the first Wednesday in April, except in such years as Easter falls on the Sunday immediately following the first Wednesday, when it shall convene on the Wednesday following Easter.

2. The Pastor shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and to the pastor of the Church where the Conference is held.

3. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.

4. The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses of the Conference, including the publication of the Minutes—each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

Rule II. OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE. Duties of the President:—1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. See that the business of the Conference shall proceed according to these Rules of Order and other Rules and Regulations adopted by the Conference.

3. Shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference.

4. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

5. Not allow improper personalities nor reflections upon any religious communities.

6. Announce each person rising to speak as soon as he shall have addressed the chair by declaring him "The minister from —," or "The delegate from —."

7. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order, and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.

8. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of ballot.

9. May call any member to the chair when he wishes to participate in debate or for other purposes, but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after adjournment.

10. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.

11. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.

12. In the event of the death of any ministerial member or his wife or widow, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

13. The President of the Conference is relieved from the usual plan of visitation on the Charges. He is to make survey of the District; as-

sume general oversight of all church work; he is to use his official leadership in securing the most constructive development for the Charges. And so far as possible, he is to meet the Official Board of each Charge once in the year.

The failure of the President to visit any Charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed on said Charge for his salary.

And each charge shall forward, not later than July 1st. of each year, the amount levied thereon for President's salary to the Conference Treasurer—who shall pay monthly to the President his salary.

14. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$1000 for the pastor. And he, the President, shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors, and upon all the churches the importance of being incorporated.

Rule III. Duties of the Secretary:—1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman "pro tempore" and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference, and be the Committee on Credentials.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of such written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record: First, the standing committees in the order of their arrangement in these rules, and second, all other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. Be the Committee on the Publication and distribution of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks, and send blank personal report blanks to all ministers who are not pastors, on which they are to state the relation to the Conference they desire for the ensuing year.

13. He shall have a printed record of the Minutes duly certified by himself, which shall be considered the Official Minutes of the Conference, substantially bound every quadrennium, and include in each volume a copy of the General Conference Journal.

14. Be the Committee on Transportation.

Rule IV. Duties of Steward and Treasurer:—1. The Conference Steward and the Treasurer shall constitute the Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from the pastors; and this Board shall be responsible to the Conference for all money and receipts and vouchers delivered to them.

2. They shall meet on Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock and open the pastors' envelopes containing the reports and collections; shall deliver

the various parts of the reports as designated; shall note the agreement of the pastors' financial reports with the financial envelope and prepare the reports for the Conference. The financial envelopes shall be passed to the Treasurer, who shall have charge of all the moneys of the Conference for distribution, upon order of the Conference Steward, which shall be the voucher of the Treasurer for his transactions, to the persons designated by the Conference to receive them. The Treasurer shall disburse money collected by the Conference for every purpose; in which transactions he shall perform the work assigned heretofore to the Superannuated Fund Steward and of the Church Extension Steward, as per special rules of each Society, and he shall continue in office until his successor shall be elected. He shall keep a ledger and open account with some accepted bank, and his accounts shall be open for inspection at all times to the President of the Conference, or one designated by him.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon separately as now.

Rule V. COMMITTEES. All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

2. The Standing Committees shall be:—1. Board of Finance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

2. Itinerancy and Orders—The Faculty of Instruction.

3. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.

4. Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

5. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

6. Literature and Education—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

7. Young People's Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

8. Moral Reform—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

9. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

10. Official Relations—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

11. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.

12. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This Committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.

13. Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

14. President's Report—2 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

15. Committee of Audit—2 ministers, 1 layman.

16. Conference Program for the following session—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 3 Laymen.

17. Appointees on the Executive Committee of Union of Young People's Work—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 2 Laymen.

18. Our Church Home—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

19. Social Service—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

20. Conference Arrangements—The President and the Standing District Committee.

3. Any person being a member of two committees shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

4. When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations shall quietly inform the President, whereupon the President may request the visitors be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

5. The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an "Honor Roll" of the charges which pay their assessments in full.

Rule VI. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION:—

1. At 9 o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from

the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

2. The Roll shall then be called, the Secretary reporting the names of absentees. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the chairman, or in his absence some member, of his Obituary Committee shall formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll, and the same shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Memorial Roll by the Secretary.

3. At 10.30 A. M. of the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, followed by the Lord's Supper. The President shall appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A. M. on Sunday. The time for holding Memorial Services for deceased members of the Conference shall be determined by the Conference Program Committee.

4. Examination of the President. At 2 P. M. the President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee; and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question: "Shall his character pass?"

5. At 3 P. M. on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, as follows: 1. President. 2. Secretary. 3. Steward. 4. Treasurer. The Steward and Treasurer elected at one session shall serve at the following session, and they shall appoint two assistants with the approval of the Conference. 5. Standing District Committee, consisting of three ministers and three laymen. 6. Committee on Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

6. Examination of Official Character. At 10.00 o'clock Thursday morning the roll shall be called and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor and the name of the charge in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Relations.

7. The sessions of Friday and Saturday shall end at noon, that the Committees may have time for their work, and that the President may have opportunity to interview delegates and ministers.

Rule VII. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAILY SESSIONS:—

1. On each day following the opening session there shall be held a devotional service lasting thirty minutes, beginning at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the preceding day for correction and adoption.

3. Calling of the roll of charges in alphabetical order, for the presentation of any business by delegates or pastors from the churches they represent. When any such, upon recognition of the Chair, shall present any business it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business, or referred to the proper committee without motion.

4. Call for reports from Boards, Institutions and Societies, and communications, which shall be put upon the Secretary's desk to be taken up in regular order, or made the order of the day.

5. Reports of standing and special committees called for in order, and they shall be handed to the Secretary to be read by him. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

6. Miscellaneous business.

7. When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and at a specific hour.

8. Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

9. Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

10. When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

Rule VIII. DECORUM:—1. When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the Chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference, after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

2. If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

3. No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

4. When a member is called to order he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule of order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

5. In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

6. No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of the Conference, nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

7. Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

8. Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

Rule IX. MOTIONS:—1. Every motion shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

2. Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

3. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the first three to be taken without debate; and the first always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending—except in cases in which character is involved—and if sustained by two-thirds of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.

5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

6. No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

7. A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

8. No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment; but it shall be in order to move a substitute for the main question, and one amendment to the substitute, and if a substitute is accepted it shall replace the original proposition.

9. All motions to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

Rule X. VOTING:—1. Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.

2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.

3. Votes for all Conference officers, the Committee on Appeals, Standing District Committee, Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and all other officers of all other organizations shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yea and nay; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.

4. A member may change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.

5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.

6. Ayes and nays, and a vote by orders shall be as prescribed in the Discipline.

Rule XI. AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS. All motions or resolutions, whether submitted by committees or individual members, contemplating an amendment to these Rules and Regulations, must so specify. Otherwise, such action shall not be binding upon any other session of the Conference than that at which the same is passed.

REGULATIONS.

Regulation I. DUTIES OF PASTORS. 1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference, admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under head of "Duties of Stewards."

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the Church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unstationed Minister or Preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given in the Minutes.

9. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their successors a plan of the work of the charge.

10. Station and Circuit Stewards shall furnish the pastor with a sufficient number of Disciplines, that he may be able to present each new member with a copy, in compliance with Disciplinary law.

11. That no minister of this Conference shall give his consent or assistance to building a church or parsonage on a lot that is not deeded unconditionally to an incorporated board of Methodist Protestant Trustees.

12. No minister of this Conference shall go as a loan to any church outside of the Maryland Conference unless said church is willing to contribute to the Superannuated Fund of this Conference.

Regulation II. SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY. 1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leaders; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in division 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," of the Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher, and lay member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-five years shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class-leader and Sunday-School Superintendent, Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of Elder two years. And no minister shall be elected to the office of President of the Annual Conference for more than three years in succession.

6. The Conference strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the removal or return of the pastor, and condemns the complimentary vote that asks for the pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

Regulation III. THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. 1. The Conference endorses the action of the Committee in the purchase of the property, No. 1420 Linden Ave., Baltimore, as the President's parsonage.

2. The assessment of \$4,000 shall be continued under the name of "President's Salary," to be appropriated as follows: nine-tenths of the amount raised to be paid to the President as his salary and traveling expenses. One-tenth of the amount raised to be paid to the Agent of the President's parsonage, who shall pay out of this amount, the water rent, insurance and needful repairs of the property.

Regulation IV. RECORDS OF TRIAL CASES. In all cases of the trial of a minister, the Secretary of the Trial Committee shall make a correct record of the proceedings of the trial, and turn the same over to the Secretary of the Conference, together with a copy of the charges, and specifications, a copy of the finding, or verdict of the Committee—and all other documentary evidence used in the trial, to be kept by the Secretary among the records of the Conference.

Regulation V. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT AND SUPERNUMERARY REQUESTS. All requests to be left without an appointment for the ensuing year, or for a supernumerary relation, shall be referred by the Conference to the Committee on Official Relations for consideration and report thereon before such requests shall be granted.

Regulation VI. SABBATH SCHOOLS. 1. As a preparation for more efficient study and teaching of the Word, teachers' meetings should be statedly held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.

2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Discipline regulations concerning the organization of our Sabbath Schools into Foreign Missionary Societies and the taking of a collection every quarter for Foreign Missions.

3. Children's Day shall be faithfully observed by all our Sabbath Schools, and the money received on that day shall be exclusively devoted to the Children's Day offering for Foreign Missions.

Regulation VII. OUR CHURCH HOME. 1. Every charge shall elect a lady visitor for the benefit of Our Church Home, consistent with the character of that institution.

2. The list of charges failing to meet the requirement of the Conference relative to Our Church Home shall be read at each session of the Conference.

3. The second Sunday of November of each year shall be known as "Donation Day" for Our Church Home, and all our pastors are instructed to call the attention of their congregations thereto, and an endeavor made to have donations of provisions, groceries, and things needed to conduct the Home, sent to Mrs. Chas. Billingslea, Westminster, Md.

Regulation VIII. ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES. No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer or assist in administering the Christian ordinances.

Regulation IX. UNSTATIONED MINISTERS. The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualifications.

Regulation X. LOTTERIES. The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazard is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

Regulation XI. MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY. The placing of mortgage upon church property, for the purpose, directly, or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

Regulation XII. OBITUARIES. 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

Regulation XIII. MARRIAGES. The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

Regulation XIV. TITLES AND DEGREES. Inasmuch as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is the badge of University work and most rigid examinations—a degree which our better Colleges refuse to confer, and Universities do not confer for honor, but only for merit in advanced special studies—we feel sure no worthy institution would confer such a title for work done by correspondence, and the man who consents to bear a title so conferred subjects himself to the ridicule of scholars and involves the ministry in a charge of vanity and insincerity. Therefore, this Conference expresses its disapproval of this method of obtaining degrees, and declines to recognize in any way a title so obtained.

Regulation XV. UNFERMENTED WINE. The Conference recommends the use of unfermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Regulation XVI. DROPPING MEMBERS. Persons whose names are on the church register and cannot be found, or who have ceased to take an interest in the church, may be dropped from the record by a vote of the church; provided further, that in stations these changes may be made by the Quarterly Conference.

Regulation XVII. PASTORS' MOVING EXPENSES. As the Discipline grants the Annual Conference the right to "make such regulations as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the ministers and preachers," it is the judgment of this Conference that the charge to which a minister or preacher is assigned should pay the moving expenses of the incoming pastor

Regulation XVIII. CAMP-MEETINGS. 1. Camp-meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:—

2. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's Day on the camp-ground or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

3. The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or to the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the Lord's Day.

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's Day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraph, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.

5. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

6. In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

7. Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

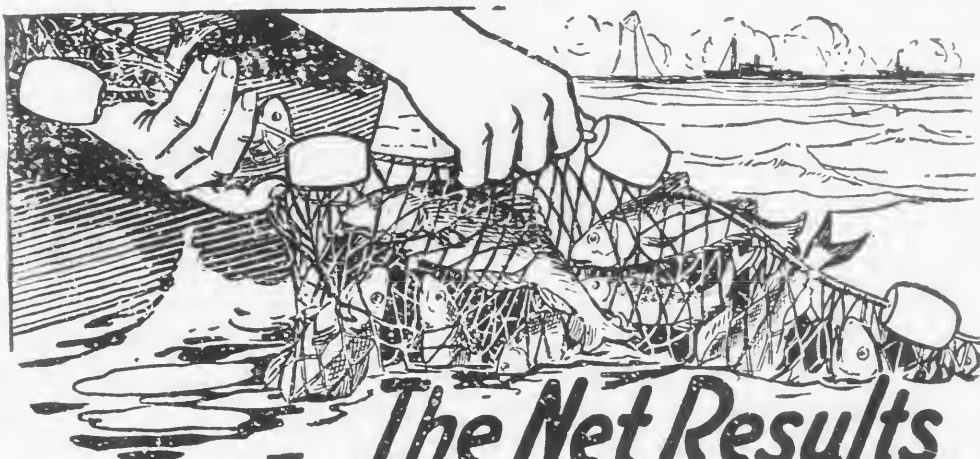
Regulation XIX. ELECTION OF DELEGATES. 1st—In Stations. In stations the election of delegates shall be by the qualified members under the direction of the stewards and whose credentials must be signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting. The pastor shall announce the time and place of such meeting at least one Sunday before it is held, but in no case shall he preside at the election of delegates.

2nd—In Circuits. In circuits a vote of the qualified members shall be taken by the stewards in each church on the charge, after due announcement by the pastor, for a delegate to the annual conference. The

votes shall be brought in separate packages to the quarterly conference where they shall be counted. Anyone receiving a majority of all votes cast shall be declared the delegate elect, but if no one receives a majority the quarterly conference shall proceed at once to the election of a delegate. When it is necessary for the quarterly conference to elect the delegate, someone other than the pastor shall preside during the election, and whose name, with the secretary of the quarterly conference, shall appear on the credentials of the delegate.

3rd. In both stations and circuits and also at the quarterly conference all voting shall be by ballot and the election must be held at least ten days before the session of the Annual Conference.





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